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## M'KINLEY VERY BUSY

### The President-elect Working on His Inaugural Address.

### TO BE FINISHED WITHIN A WEEK

**His Cabinet, as a Whole, Will Not Be Completed Before March 1---Senator Sherman Urged To Accept the State Portfolio.**

Cleveland, Jan. 4.—Major McKinley expects to set to work on his inaugural address this evening and to finish it by the end of the week. He feels that the time between the present and the inauguration is very short and said this morning there would be so much to do that the few weeks remaining to him would slip by very swiftly. Major McKinley wants to get the portfolios of his cabinet assigned in a fortnight or three weeks, but the cabinet, as a whole, will not be completed till March 1. The impression grows that Senator Sherman's friends in many parts of the country are urging him to accept the portfolio of state if it is offered him, and it is also true that some of them are suggesting to Major McKinley that Senator Sherman would make an excellent secretary of state and one whose manifest fitness for the position would very strongly impress the country.

**McKinley May Surprise the Country.**

Senator S. M. Cullom of Illinois says the opinion prevails among senators that Mr. Sherman, while perhaps not willing to go into the cabinet, seems to regard the proposition with less disfavor than formerly. Senator Cullom says he has no desire at this time to leave the senate, and that he is not to be considered a cabinet possibility. It is his belief that Illinois may not be represented in the cabinet at all. He discussed the senatorial contest, and expressed the opinion that in the event of a prolonged and bitter contest the prize might fall to the lot of Gov. Tanner himself. Senator Cullom says the impression exists among his colleagues in the United States senate that Mr. Allison will not be inclined to give up his present career to accept a cabinet portfolio, but hopes the Iowa senator can be prevailed upon to become secretary of the treasury. If neither Mr. Allison nor Mr. Dingley should be in Major McKinley's cabinet, Senator Cullom says, a new quantity for secretary of the treasury will have to be found, and that the chances are that the president-elect will treat the country to something of a surprise. A good deal of speculation about the New England member of the cabinet has been heard in the last day or two, both here and in Canton.

**Lodge and Proctor Possibilities.**

If Mr. Dingley remains at the head of the committee on ways and means another man from his section of the country will be invited to accept a cabinet position. The names of Senators Proctor of Vermont and Lodge of Massachusetts are discussed not a little and the selection of either of them by Major McKinley should occasion no surprise. If a secretary of state is not chosen from New York it may be set down as certain that Cornelius N. Bliss will have a place in the cabinet. There has been no change in the situation so far as Mr. Bliss is concerned, nor is there likely to be, save in the contingency just mentioned.

**Hendricks and the Manhattan "L."**

New York, Jan 4 —Mortimer Hendricks, whose petition for the removal of the directors of the Manhattan Elevated Railroad company and compel them to pay back to the company dividends paid out in 1895 and 1896, which he alleges were illegally paid, has been refused by the state attorney-general, has decided to bring the matter before the state railroad commission at once.

**Spain Reports a Victory.**

Madrid, Jan. 4 —A dispatch from Manila says that the insurgents have been signally defeated at Balacan. Acoording to the dispatch 1,100 of the insurgents were killed, including Gen. Ensebro. Seven cannon were captured. The Spanish loss is placed at twenty-three killed and sixty-eight wounded.

**Sudden Death of Amos Stevens.**

Manchester, Conn., Jan. 4.—Amos Stevens, who was connected with the Northampton bank robbery, died suddenly of heart disease last night at Cowles' hotel. Stevens had been in New York, but came here to visit relatives a few weeks ago. He was 76 years of age and leaves a widow.

**Suicide of Mrs. Tuttle.**

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 4.—Mrs. Julia Farley Tuttle, aged 26, who committed suicide Saturday night at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Farrington, by inhaling chloroform, had made several previous attempts to commit suicide, but was unsuccessful owing to the watchfulness of her sister.

**Nickel Steel for British Warships.**

London, Jan. 4.—Following the example set by the American navy department, the British naval authorities have decided to use nickel steel instead of Harveyized steel for the protection of the warships under construction.

## LOSS OF THE COMMODORE.

**Eight of the Crew of the Filibuster Now at Sea on a Raft.**

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 4.—All of the crew of the Commodore were not saved, as reported last night. Twelve are in Jacksonville, and three alive and one dead are at Daytona. Four are reported to have arrived near Ormond, but the report is not confirmed, and eight are at sea on a life raft. Capt. Murphy, Stephen Crane, the novelist; C. B. Montgomery, the cook, and W. Higgins, a stoker, have landed at Daytona. Their boat was turned over in the surf and Higgins received a wound which caused his death soon after getting ashore. The party on the raft are all Cubans. They left the boat before Capt. Murphy's party and nothing more has been heard of them.

## NASHVILLE'S BIG FIRE.

**Amount of Damage Inflicted Amounts To Not Less Than $600,000.**

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 4.—The distructive conflagration which visited this city Saturday night was far more disastrous than was indicated yesterday. The total damage is at least $600,000. Several trifling accidents were reported. A series of unfortunate conditions handicapped the fire department in its work, and a very strong wind playing from the south made matters much worse. The falling of a wall caused damage to the extent of $50,000 by crushing through adjacent buildings. A feature of the fire was the fighting from roofs, as few alleys traversed the district. When sufficient pressure was finally secured the department rendered very effective service though at first it seemed almost helpless.

## GOLD AND SILVER.

**Production of the Two Precious Metals in This Country Last Year.**

Washington, Jan. 4.—From information received from officers of the mint service and other agents employed to collect the statistics of the production of gold and silver from the mines of the United States during the calendar year 1896, the director of the mint estimates the product of gold to have approximated $51,000,000, being an increase of $5,000,000 over 1895. The product of silver in the United States in 1896, from the information now at hand, is estimated to have been from 52,000,000 to 53,500,000 fine ounces, a decrease of 2,500,000 to 3,000,000 ounces from that of 1895.

**Insurance Companies In Kansas.**

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 4.—More than one-half of the members of the populist legislature are pledged to pass a law requiring life and fire insurance companies to invest 65 per cent. of their premiums collected in the state in Kansas securities and deposit with the state treasurer. A committee has reported to Gov.-elect Leedy that the life insurance companies took $1,700,000 out of the state during the past year.

**A Supreme Court for Russia.**

Berlin, Jan. 4.—A special dispatch from St Petersburg says it is the intention of the czar to create a supreme court, with the object of relieving him of much of the work which devolves upon the emperor. The court will settle all the matters now decided by the czar, except those of the highest importance, which will, as heretofore, be referred to the emperor himself.

**Cashier Durk Arrested.**

Buffalo, Jan. 4 —Henry Durk, cashier of the defunct First National bank of Niagara Falls, was arrested Saturday night, brought to this city and arraigned before Commissioner Norton on a charge of being implicated in the failure of the bank. Durk pleaded not guilty and was released on bail, pending a hearing on January 15.

**Dr. Theodore G. Wormley Dead.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 4 —Dr. Theodore G. Wormley, a distinguished chemist and toxicologist and professor of these branches in the Medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, died at his residence yesterday of stomach trouble, after an illness of several months.

**Laurada Sails for Home.**

Gibraltar, Jan. 4.—The American steamer Laurada, the report of the intention of which to call at Valencia, Spain, caused such a commotion in that city, the Laurada having, it is said, been engaged in filibustering to Cuba, has sailed for the United States.

**Suicide of Walter S. Martin.**

Portland, Me., Jan. 4.—At Sebago yesterday Walter S Martin, the principal witness in the Bacheldor assault case, committed suicide by hanging. The cause for his suicide was undoubtedly over the Bacheldor matter.

**Death of J. J. Davidson.**

New Brighton, Pa., Jan. 4.—Word has reached here that James Johnson Davidson, congressman-elect from the Twenty-fifth district of Pennsylvania, is dead at Phoenix, Ariz.

**Ohio Miners on Strike.**

Massillon, O., Jan. 4.—The employes of all the mines in this district, about 2,000 men, have struck on account of a reduction in the price of pickmining from 61 to 51 cents per ton.

## ITS FINAL SESSIONS

### Congress Reassembles To-morrow After the Holiday Recess.

### FORECAST OF WORK IN BOTH HOUSES

**Senator Cameron's Resolution To Be Antagonized by the Army Bill---Loud Bill and Pacific Railroad Funding Bill in the House.**

Washington, Jan. 4.—When the senate meets to-morrow after the holiday recess it is quite likely that the debate on matters pertaining to our foreign relations and the position assumed by Secretary Olney for the executive will at once begin to take shape. Whether Mr. Cameron will call up the Cuban resolution on the opening day of the session is not yet known, for that senator has not yet returned to the city and the subject is entirely in his hands. It is hardly thought that he will seek to force the issue on the opening day, owing to the fact that there is not likely to be a quorum of the senate present. During the morning hour, however, under any guise that may be put forward, the debate on the subject can be commenced, but it must give way to the unfinished business at 2 o'clock unless there are sufficient votes to displace the Oklahoma free homestead bill with the more pressing question of Cuba. The homestead bill, which is championed by Mr. Pettigrew, is not to have smooth sailing. A strong minority report by Mr. Platt is to be presented, and that senator will lead the opposition to the measure on the floor of the senate. Mr. Hale, who is looked upon as the leader of the anti-Cuban sentiment in the senate, says that several senators who have been heretofore silent on the subject have come out against the Cameron resolution and there is now no possible chance for its passage. On the other hand Messrs. Cameron, Lodge, Chandler, Morgan and Mills assert that the sentiment favoring action by congress is becoming more vigorous and that the fighting will be forced from the start. Mr. Hale, who, in the absence of Mr. Allison, is acting chairman of the committee on appropriations, expects to have the army bill reported to the senate Wednesday, and this will be put forward to antagonize the Cuban proposition Two speeches are booked for the coming week, one by Mr. Peffer, probably Wednesday, on his resolution for the appointment of a national monetary conference, and another by Mr. Proctor, on the joint resolutions providing for the election of president and vice-president and senators by a popular vote.

**House of Representatives.**

Just before the holiday recess the house of representatives, upon the recommendation of the committee on rules, arranged the business of the house for the first week of the new year. To-morrow and Wednesday the Loud bill to amend the postal laws so as to prohibit the transmission in the mails of serial novel publications and "sample" copies of newspapers at the second class rate will be the special order Discussion under the general rule will continue from immediately after the reading of the journal to-morrow until 2 p. m. on Wednesday and under the five minute rule upon proposed amendments until 4 o'clock, when voting will begin upon pending amendments and the final passage of the bill When the bill was called up, rather unexpectedly, several weeks ago, it developed surprising strength but since then the opposition has been active, and the chances of its passage are considered rather doubtful. After this bill has been disposed of the rest of the week—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—will be devoted to the consideration of the Pacific railroad funding bill, reported by Judge Powers, chairman of the committee on Pacific railroads. Two days will be given to general discussion, and one day to debate and action in committee of the whole upon proposed amendments. The bill will be reported to the house at 5 o'clock Saturday and the vote on its passage taken on Monday, the 11th instant, immediately after the reading of the journal. By the terms of the orders, making these measures the special business, consideration of any other matters is shut out, and it will take unanimous consent to act on anything else until the orders have been exhausted. The only exception is that on Friday night private pension bills will be discussed for two hours and a half as usual without a quorum.

**Will Be Broken Up for Junk.**

Boston, Jan. 4 —Steamer City of New York, which was towed here from New London, will be broken up for junk. She was formerly one of the Norwich line steamers, and will be taken to Nut island, where she will be beached and burned for the old iron.

**New Spanish Warships.**

London, Jan. 4.—Four torpedo boat destroyers are now being constructed on the Clyde for the Spanish government, and two other British-built vessels of the same class are ready to be placed in commission.

## MILLIONS STARVING

### The Famine in India Assuming Gigantic Proportions.

### AN UPRISING OF NATIVES FEARED

**British Jealousy Converts Russia's Action in Sending Relief to the Sufferers into a Deep-laid Political Scheme---The Plague at Bombay.**

London, Jan. 4.—Advices received from Bombay, Calcutta and other central points in India regarding the famine in that country say that the apparent indifference of the British government to the sufferings of the people is causing great irritation among the natives, and that fears are entertained that if grain riots break out they may assume such proportions as to be similar to the Sepoy rebellion of some years ago, and again threaten English rule in that portion of the British empire. British jealousy of Russia is shown by the misconstruction placed upon the action of the government and people of that country in contributing funds for the purchase of grain and other foodstuffs for the starving millions of India. The statement that millions are starving is believed to be conservative, inasmuch as it is known that the famine is present in districts containing at least 15,000,000 inhabitants, and while some of these, of course, are in good circumstances, the vast majority are actually suffering for the wherewithal to sustain life. They are of the poorest classes, who have been compelled for years to live from hand to mouth with never a chance to lay by any provision in case of the total failure of their always scanty crops. Why Englishmen should look askant at the action of Russia in doing what they themselves seem disinclined to do can only be explained by the belief expressed in some quarters, particularly in the tory newspapers, that the generous action of the Russians is only a mask hiding some deep-laid political scheme, having for its object the raising of disaffection in India against British rule. Some of the tory papers express their approval of declarations that have appeared in certain Indian papers to the effect that aid from such a source should not be accepted. But they do not urge the government to extend aid to the sufferers, and in the meantime thousands of natives are dying. There is no question in the minds of those who are not prejudiced against Russia that the Russian movement had its origin entirely in charitable motives, and that it was intended as a response to the foreign aid given at the time of the great Russian famine some five years ago. The Russian newspapers point out in their appeals for subscriptions that had it not been for the aid extended to the Russian sufferers by Great Britain and the United States the death roll would have been much larger than it actually was. Quantities of grain have been purchased with the money raised by public subscriptions in Russia, and the Russian government has undertaken to forward all the grain to India free of cost. Advices from Bombay show that the bubonic plague is rapidly extending among the natives, who thus far have been the principal sufferers. Thousands of residents have fled from the city, but the exodus is more than counterbalanced by the arrival of large numbers of victim of the famine, who are pouring into the city in the hope of either obtaining work or of at least finding among the charitable relief from the pangs of starvation. These, weakened by want of food, quickly fall victims to the disease, which thus far has baffled the efforts of the physicians to control it. The sanitary condition of the native quarters also tends to the spread of the disease, but the natives, with their usual fatalism, are not to be taught the benefits of cleanliness in their habitations, and accept the plague as a visitation from their gods It is thought that unless the sanitary regulations can be enforced by the civil authorities, it will be necessary to call upon the military for assistance in compelling the natives to observe the health laws.

**Steel Works Resume.**

Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 4 —The Johnson company, steel motor works, which have been idle for several weeks, will resume in full this week. This means that several hundred idle men will be put to work. The Cambria Iron company's open hearth mill resumed operations this morning and the steel works, blooming mill and billet mill will start up to-morrow. This will be good news to a large number of the men who have been out of work off and on during the last seven or eight months.

**Watson-Spreckles Wedding.**

San Francisco, Jan. 4. —The announcement of the marriage of Miss Emma Spreckles, the only daughter of Claus Spreckels, the multi-millionaire sugar planter, ship owner and railway promoter, to Thomas Watson, a well known broker of this city, in San Jose on Wednesday last, created a mild sensation in society, where both are very prominent.

## NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

**Election of Assembly Officers Only Needed To Complete Its Organization.**

Albany, Jan. 4.—Although this afternoon is the time set apart for the organization of the legislature, very little in that line will be done until to-morrow. Many members of both houses are still absent. The organization of the state senate will not be materially changed from last year, and all that will be necessary to complete the organization of the legislature this year is the election of officers in the assembly. Assemblyman O'Grady, who expects to be chosen speaker without opposition, will not open headquarters until to-morrow. The caucuses of the republican and democratic members to nominate candidates for the various assembly positions will be held to-morrow evening. After organization is completed and the members have drawn for seats, the legislature will adjourn until the evening of January 13, when the assembly committees will be announced. The members of the legislature are to take an active part in the celebration on Wednesday of the one hundredth anniversary of the location of the state capitol at Albany. The celebration is in charge of a state commission appointed by the governor, of which Mayor Thacher is president. This will be an elaborate event in the history of the capital city and many prominent citizens from all sections of the state are interested in making it a success.

## CELESTIAL PHENOMENON.

**Reflected Sun Rays Caused the Earth To Appear To Be Afire.**

New Orleans, Jan. 4.—An extraordinary celestial phenomenon was visible here yesterday. Thick heavy clouds were rolling and it was as dark as night. At that hour, suddenly, the sky was overcast with a peculiar pinkness and the rays reflected gave the earth the appearance of being on fire. The remarkable display lasted perhaps ten minutes, but it was startling during its brief existence. The weather bureau explains that it was the sun's rays reflected through a certain cloud. It was followed by a fierce gale along the lake front. Persons residing at West End declare that in eleven years they have witnessed no such storm. The people there were much frightened. The waters of Lake Ponchartrain were driven in and overflowed Spanish Fort and all the roads leading from the city to the lake, in some places reaching a depth of three feet.

## HINDOO-CREOLE COLLISION.

**Damage to the Former Is Under Water---Will Have To Be Docked.**

New York, Jan 4.—The Wilson liner Hindoo, which was in collision with the Cromwell line steamer Creole in the lower bay Saturday evening, is now anchored off Clifton, S. I., but will be towed to her dock this afternoon. Capt. Douglas reports that the Hindoo is leaking in the forepeak, some of her bow-plates are cracked, and as the damage is under water its exact nature cannot be ascertained until she reaches her dock. A portion of the cargo in the forehold will have to be discharged before the necessary repairs can be effected The steamer's pumps are kept constantly going to keep the forepeak free of water. Several stanchions and beams are also cracked and will have to be repaired before the steamer resumes her voyage.

**Two Missions to King Menelek.**

London, Jan 4 —An English special mission to the Negus Menelek is under the consideration of the foreign office. The French government is about to dispatch from Obok an important mission headed by M. Lagarde, late governor of Obok, who has already held frequent communications with Menelek, and, it is believed at the English foreign office, has approached that potentate on the subject of a French protectorate over Abyssinia or some such understanding as would effectually check the expansion of British influence in the regions of the upper Nile.

**Death of Dr. B. W. Munson.**

Sharon, Conn., Jan. 4.—Dr. Byron W. Munson, a well-known physician, died here yesterday of asthma and heart trouble at the age of 53 years. Dr. Munson was a graduate of the Yale Medical school. He served through the late war with the medical corps, and was a member of Elias Howe post, G. A. R., of Bridgeport. From 1881 until 1890 Dr. Munson was superintendent at the State Soldiers' home at Noroton, Conn

**$30,000 Fire In Lynn, Mass.**

Lynn, Mass, Jan. 4.—Two small buildings in the rear of 843 and 855 Washington street were burned yesterday. They were of wood, three stories high, and owned by S N. Breed Adjacent lumber piles and H. N. Breed & Co.'s stable were slightly damaged. Total loss, $30,000.

**Death of James A. Smith.**

Hartford, Jan. 4.—James A. Smith of the grain firm of Smith, Northam & Co. of this city died yesterday, aged 58. He was a director of the Connecticut Mutual Life, the Aetna Fire Insurance company and the Phoenix National bank. Mr. Smith was a cousin of J. Pierpont Morgan, the New York banker.

## GERMANY'S DEFENSES

### Artillery Bill Carries an Appropriation of 177,000,000 Marks.

### FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE ARMY

**Russia Negotiating in Paris for a New Loan of 600,000,000 Marks---The Czar's Liberal Policy---Austrian Court Scandal.**

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Berlin, Jan. 4.—The new artillery bill, which will be laid before the reichstag soon after the chamber resumes its sittings, will propose an addition to the military budget of 177,000,000 marks. Certain semi-official papers, commenting on the reports current that 200,000,000 marks would be demanded, have denied the accuracy of the statement and inferentially suggested that the country had at present no reason to fear an additional burden through the army estimates. In point of fact the new bill has for some time been drafted and forms part of a general scheme for the reorganization of the army, involving the creation of new regiments of infantry and a new grouping of battalions and brigades. Military authorities who are permitted to speak on the subject, and whose opinions are worth having, deny the current reports that the impending reorganization of the artillery is due to the Canet quick-firing gun being adopted by the French army. The new German field gun was tested at Krupps in the presence of the kaiser and a special staff of officers more than a year ago, was approved as the most potent field piece yet invented, and has been since under constant construction. The kaiser keeps in close touch with the Krupps, at whose works guns on the new model, but of a different calibre, are rapidly being manufactured and tested.

Leading Berlin banking firms concur in crediting the report that the Russian government has been negotiating a new loan in Paris amounting to no less than 600,000,000 marks. Private advices from St. Petersburg, supported by letters from Paris, at first mentioned an even greater sum, 800,000,000, and added that the French bankers had refused to consider terms on the ground that France was overloaded with Russian loans; that part of the last loan had not yet been absorbed by the public, and further that under the conditions of that loan Russia was debarred from raising another before April, 1897. Some tentative action towards negotiating with Berlin and Frankfort houses have been going on since the reluctance of the French bankers to deal became known at St. Petersburg, but these overtures were not received favorably, so the Russian finance minister has resumed communication with Paris firms. The loan, if obtained soon after April, will be the prelude to the resumption of specie payments by Russia, provided nothing happens in Europe to endanger the czar's present peace policy.

Apropos of the now known tendency of Nicholas II. towards a liberal and pacific regime, advices from Warsaw and other centers in Poland concur in speaking of a marked change in the restrictive measures enforced against the people by the authorities, greater freedom being allowed to the press and the public. A notable instance of the change of spirit in the Russian authorities is seen in the correspondence of the St. Petersburg Novoe Vremya, which has opened its columns to advocacy of the conciliation of Poland, a larger degree of toleration for the Catholic Pole, and the cessation of restrictive measures throughout those now wide regions where the Russian government has the adhesion of the people The Novoe Vremya has long been the fierce enemy of the Catholic Poles, and this change of front is therefore significant. The czar's recent action in resisting the pressure of the Moscow authorities to punish the riotous university students by deporting them to Siberia is another favorable sign of better times in Russia.

Berlin as well as Vienna court circles have recently been eagerly watching the developments of a scandal connected with the career of the Austrian Crown Prince Rudolph, who, with his sweetheart, the Baroness Maria Vetsera, committed suicide at Meyerling in January, 1889. It is known that the Emperor Francis Joseph has paid enormous sums to meet the responsibilities which his son left behind him and to conceal some of the lamentable results of his disorderly life. Some correspondence which the archduke left fell into the hands of a man who did not scruple to have part of it photographed and sent to the emperor, with an offer to restore the originals for a large sum, the alternative being publication. As the letters contained some frank criticisms of the emperor's secret policy and of the personages around the throne, the affair became a matter of reference to the cabinet. Arrests and legal prosecutions were talked of in Austrian court circles for a time, but now it is understood that there will be no public scandal, the matter having been arranged privately.

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## MY OLD FRIEND IS NOT HERE.

I hark to the harsh discordant notes
Of clamorous toil and strife,
I drag my feet through the dust and heat
Of the broad highroad of life;
But I catch not the sound of a well-known voice—
And the road is brown and sere,
And my eyesight blears with unshed tears—
For my old friend is not here.

With a backward glance and a wave of the hand,
He has wandered far away
To a land that lies under cloudless skies—
Where the sun shines all the day;
And his form is lost in the hurrying throng
That gathers from far and near,
And I miss the grace of his kindly face—
For my old friend is not here.

But I caught a glimpse of that unknown land,
As my old friend hurried through
The outer gate, where the dear ones wait
For the pilgrim who is due;
And I know that the sun shines all the day,
That the flow'rs bloom all the year—
I shall miss his smile through the afterwhile,
For my old friend is not here.

—S. Q. Lapius, in Ohio Farmer.

## HIS MIRACLE.

BY CARL SMITH.

The section foreman's boy, red of hair and freckled of face, offered to show him the way to the church, but he declined the proffered courtesy, preferring to walk up the railroad track until he should get tired of the jaunt, when he would stop at a cattle guard and rest, and then return in time for dinner. Church going had been an unknown quantity with him in the city, where there were great cathedrals in half a dozen different parts of the town, and he hardly saw the occasion for departing from custom simply because his exile in the little country town was so uninterestingly eventless. He started with a swinging, athletic-club stride up the line of gravel, therefore, and the section foreman's boy, palpably starchy and awkward in his Sunday clothes, went hurrying down the street from the station, his red hair crimsonly signaling his approach to the little frame church while he was yet a great distance away.

Kennedy was the new telegraph operator. He was an aspiring fellow and an intelligent one, and some day he hoped to be a trick dispatcher, and possibly, after reasonable lapse of time, the superintendent of telegraph. He spent the long and lonesome nights in reading on social economics, and he knew more about the history of strange and peculiar things associated with government than almost anybody whose name or fame is now suggested to mind. He was the chief telegrapher of his division of the telegraphers' labor union, which met in the city 30 miles away, and he was the man who made the best speeches on Tuesday nights, when lodge proceedings had got as far along as the "good of the order." The others of the division thought highly of him, and usually they sent him as their lodge delegate to the sessions of the international convention. He could argue splendidly and he said he was an agnostic.

As he walked up the track this Sunday morning the Sabbath feeling seemed to rise up as though to offend against his reasoning and reasonable agnosticism. Across the fields came the mellowness of a church bell, and seeming far, far, far away, its sound was the sweeter for the distance. Over to the right a farmer's wagon was creeping along the section line road as the sleek brown horses dragged the family toward the place of worship in the town. Around the curve ahead of him there rose a quiet rumbling, and, looking to see what unexpected train was bearing down upon him, he received the hail of Michael Doolan, foreman of Section 43, several miles up the parallel line of rails, who, with his men and their women and children, was whirring along in the direction of the little parish church toward which the redheaded boy had sped several minutes before. The men were on a hand car, to which a little flat had been attached, and this flat accommodated the women and children.

"I suppose it's all right for them," Kennedy murmured, as the twin cars disappeared around the other bend of the curve, "but that isn't for me. Religion is a good enough thing—an indispensable thing indeed, but it hasn't got around to me yet, and it never will. It's a good, handy thing to have for the purpose of swearing people in courts and impressing ignorant persons whose characters require some sort of ballast of mysticism, not only for their own comfort, but for the safety of the public. Such people, without a weight or anchorage of some kind, would rattle around annoyingly and even harmfully to others. I wish I could believe as they do. Doubtless it's a comforting thing to be as they are, but—"

And he closed his statement of opinion by picking up a stone and throwing it at a rabbit.

He walked to the cattleguard, and, resting, returned, and found he had vastly miscalculated distance and time, and that it was still very early in the day. He looked about and saw the handcar on a siding, and it suggested something to him. Kennedy prided himself on being a liberal sort of person, and the thought came to him that it would be a fair and reasonable thing for him to drop into the little church, just to show that he had really no feeling against religion. He found the white-painted structure with the cross over its queer little cupola, and, entering, took the rearmost seat. The services were nearly closing. He looked forward, over the heads of half a hundred devout worshipers, at the priest in vestments, which—although Kennedy did not know it—he had brought at great labor from the city, for the parish was too poor to support a resident pastor. He noted that the worshipers seemed to consider every movement of the begowned man as to some especial import, and genuflected and crossed themselves and murmured unintelligible utterances, which he took for prayers. It was very interesting, and in his heart he wished that reason might show him how to be as happily satisfied with the priest's teachings as were these.

"If a miracle could be enacted in those old days, why should not one be performed now?" he inquired inwardly. "Oh, no. It is all opposed to sense and science. Faith?"—for he had arrived in time to hear enough of the sermon to know that the priest had discoursed on faith—"yes, by a miracle I could have faith, but—"

His self-communion was interrupted by the sound of a silvery voice coming from the gallery above his head.

"O salutaris!" the hail rose pure and sweet—such a voice as the agnostic had never before heard. "O salutaris!" and the church was filled with the wonder of a music which caused him to think that an angel sung, quite ignoring the fact that according to his philosophy no such thing as an angel could exist. He listened as one entranced, and he left the church with his very soul brimming with the joy of that heavenly soprano.

The next Sunday he walked up the track again, but only a little way. The section foreman's boy had invited him as before to accompany him, but Kennedy hesitated, and, hesitating, was not lost. Now, however, as he again looked up at the cheery hail of the happy passengers of the handcar, he hesitated again, and this hesitation sent him churchward. He took his former seat in the rear, under the odd little choir loft, and to-day a new priest talked, and, strangely enough, of the "Miracle of Faith." As though answering a question of Kennedy's the clergyman said: "Who are the believers? The greatest of all the great in learning, statecraft and material advancement. Presidents, prime ministers, men of mighty mind accept the divinity of Christ—and if these men, wise enough to be great, and great enough to be honest, accept by faith, why should you or I cry out for a miracle to be enacted for our special behoof. There are many millions of people in the world—"

Kennedy could have told him how many.

"—and what right has one man to ask God to miraculously perform for him so that he might be badgered and forced reluctantly into accepting what worthier, more learned men and men of infinitely greater responsibility and vaster temptation gladly and gratefully take as a boon?"

"This," thought Kennedy, "sounds reasonable, but I cannot blindly accept their belief on unsupported, unwitnessed sentiment." And as he thought upon it the voice of the soprano rose in glorification. It was what he had waited for. It filled him with great happiness. The undeserved miracle was beginning of performance.

Every Sunday after this he came in after the others and took his back seat. Her voice had sung him almost into the acceptance toward which the reasoning of the priest was powerless to persuade. He seemed to partake of the feeling of the singer. He exulted with her in the Latin praise of the Redeemer. He learned the words, and they rose almost to his lips as she sung. What a woman she must be! What a heart of purity to well up in such witness of the might of Christian love and Christian mercy! He had never seen her, for he was an agnostic, and he could not yield the stubbornness of his unbelief to ask about her or to even wait in the church to watch her. He came into church late and he left early. He was an agnostic, and she—

But was he?

One day after the services were concluded he advanced past the half-hundred humble worshipers, and, greeting the priest, said: "Father, I want to come into the church." His heart leaped with that acknowledgment, and the little edifice seemed filled with the glory of the Shepherd of the lost sheep. Suddenly, from the organ loft, which now for the first time was visible to his eyes, came the swelling sound of that heavenly voice in some song of praise.

He looked for the singer. It was the section foreman's boy.

And this was his miracle.—Chicago Record.

### Why He Needed a Gun.

It was a western town, and the young fellow had been arrested for carrying a concealed weapon. Fresh from the east, he imagined that bad men lurked in the shadows, and he had bought a pistol that had a bore as large as a cough-drop. When arraigned before the police judge he had no defense to make, and the magistrate said: "I shall have to fine you."

"Please let me off," said the young fellow. "I have no money to pay a fine, and if you fine me I shall have to go to jail, and that would disgrace me. I have done nothing wrong except carry the revolver, and I am sorry for that. I have no friends from whom I could secure the money to pay the fine."

"What did you carry the artillery for?" asked the judge.

"Why, er—er—to protect my valuables."

"To protect your valuables? What valuables have you? You say you have no money to pay a fine. What else have you of value?"

"Why, you see—that is—er—I have the gun. It cost me $12."

He went to jail.—N. Y. World.

### Mistaken Identity.

A remarkable case of mistaken identity is reported from Fecamp. The body of a man was found recently in the Rue de Valmont, and after the usual formalities was buried as that of an octogenarian named Godefrey. Two of Godefrey's daughters attended the funeral. When they returned home they nearly died of terror at finding their father sitting at his usual place near the fire. The shrieks of the women, who thought they saw a ghost, brought in the neighbors. The error was due to a remarkable likeness between Godefrey and the man who had been found dead.—London Tit-Bits.


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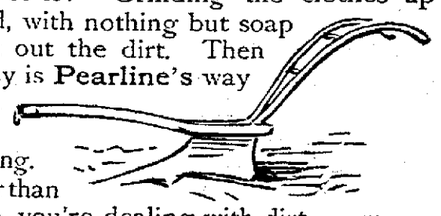

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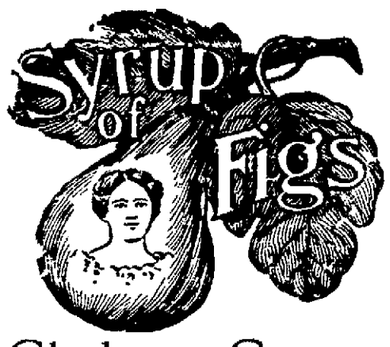


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## EDENVILLE.

**Many Personal and Local Notes of Interest.**

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The school re-opened, this (Monday) morning.

—John Perry and family visited in Bellvale recently.

—Miss Osborne has returned home after spending several days at Robert Wisner's.

—H. M. Edsall, of Brooklyn, was visiting his parents and friends last week.

—A reunion of the Dusinberrie family was held at W. J. Dusinberrie's, New Year's morning.

—Communion services were held in the church, Sunday morning.

—The school will give the children a sociable, Saturday evening, in the basement of the church.

—The farmers have commenced harvesting their ice. They report the average thickness is from 6 to 7 inches.


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Most druggists sell Pyramid Pile Cure or will get it for you if you ask them to. It is one dollar per package and is put up only by the Pyramid Drug Co., Albion, Mich.


**Killed Her Husband.**

New York, Jan. 4.—While quarreling with his stepdaughter Lizzie, Jesse Smith, colored, was fatally stabbed in the throat yesterday by his wife, Belle, who ran to the defense of her daughter. Early in the morning Smith lapped the child in the face. Mrs. Smith attempted to defend the child and he slapped her also. Mrs Smith then seized a pair of scissors that were lying on a table near by and plunged them into her husband's throat. Smith started to run to the police station but fell from the loss of blood. He died before he could be picked up by a policeman who had seen him fall. Mrs Smith was arrested.

**Archbishop of Naples Dead.**

Rome, Jan. 4.—Cardinal Guglielmo Sanfelice di Acquavella, Arcnbishop of Naples, died yesterday. He was liberal and conciliatory and was very popular. He was born in Aversa April 18, 1834, and was created a cardinal March 24, 1884.

**Hotel Destroyed by Fire.**

Avalon, N. J., Jan 4.—The hotel Peermont was destroyed by fire yesterday. The hotel was built in 1889 at a cost of $26,000.

**Bishop Scarborough's Daughter Weds.**

Trenton, Jan. 4.—Miss Catharine Scarborough, daughter of Rt. Rev. John Scarborough, Protestant Episcopal bishop of the diocese of New Jersey, was married yesterday to Rev. E. J. Knight, rector of Christ's Episcopal church of this city.

**Farmers Burning Their Crop.**

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 4.—As a result of continued wet weather throughout the state farmers have begun to utilize a part of their immense corn crop for fuel for fear it may spoil. The market price is only 9 cents a bushel, and it is much more precious for fuel.


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## MR. BARTON TALKS.

**A Well Known Citizen Tells of an Incident in His Past Life and Its Bearing on the Present.**

There are few of our readers who are not familiar with the meat and oyster store of Harford & Barton, on the corner of East Main street and East Ave. Emmet Barton one of the proprietors the of business was preparing sausage, no better than which is to be found anywhere, for his trade, when Doan's representative called on him and learned of the following incidents in Mr. Barton's life that are of more than ordinary interest to Middletown people. It seems that some twenty years ago Mr. Barton who was fond of horseback riding suffered from an experience the results of which have been felt by him in all the time that has since elapsed. On the occasion referred to, Mr. Barton was mounted on a spirited animal that took fright and started suddenly with a jump and in his efforts to control the horse the bridle was broken and he was hurled to the ground one foot remaining in the stirrup; in this dangerous position he was dragged for some distance before he could free himself; the ill effects of the accident were felt in his back, the fall and sudden jerk had affected the kidneys and kidney disease has been the bane of his existence ever since. Relief has come to Mr. Barton at last and he enthusiastically tells the public how it came about. Why, he said: "My back was never free from pain, a cold or any lifting made it more severe. Urinary troubles set in and were a great source of annoyance, compelling me to get up three or four times at night. I tried everything for my trouble and got little or no relief; finally I heard about Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box at J. E. Mills' drug store. I never saw anything work more quickly. I took in all two boxes and have no further use for Doan's Kidney Pills for the reason that I do not need them. My back does not ache, the urinary disorder has been regulated. I can get a good night's rest; in fact I am rid of all the symptoms of Kidney disease that have clung to me for twenty years."

It is astonishing how the good deeds of Doan's Kidney Pills spread. While Mr. Barton was relating his experience two other men in the store told of the good they had received. Mr. Dormans who lives on Cottage street, said, three or four doctors had failed to cure his wife and Doan's Kidney Pills relieved her at once. Mr. Tinsdale told about having a lame back for four or five years and was cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

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**Fears for a Missing Schooner.**

Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 4.—Considerable fear exists in this city for the safety of the schooner Blanche B. King, Capt. Bennett, from Philadelphia for this port, with a cargo of coal. The schooner left three weeks ago, and about ten days ago came over Nantucket shoals in company with another schooner for this port which has been here for over a week. It is feared that the schooner has been run down or met with some other mishap.

**French Elections.**

Paris, Jan. 4.—The elections which were held yesterday in different parts of France for one-third of the members of the senate, resulted in the defeat of the radicals, who failed in their attempt to oust moderate republican candidates wherever the latter contested the districts. Even Seine-et-Marne, the bourgeois' own department, and the department du Nord re-elected the retiring moderate republican candidates.

**Mark Hanna To Attend.**

Albany, Jan 4.—Mark Hanna will attend the banquet to be tendered by the state league of republican clubs to the next United States senator-elect at Harmonius Bleecker hall here on January 26.

**Duke of Cumberland Out of Danger.**

London, Jan. 4.—The Duke of Cumberland, who has been suffering from nephritis at his home in Gmunden, Germany, is now out of danger.

**Plain Talk from the Czar.**

Constantinople, Jan. 4.—The czar has notified the sultan that the integrity of his empire depends upon the granting of the reforms demanded by the powers.

**One Cook Who Was Discharged.**

"Don't be afraid. Come in—my wife's out. Have a little something? Here's a nice quality of old—"

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## GRANT AS A YOUNG DEBATER.

**Took a Prominent Part in a Kentucky Club.**

Apparently Grant entered the Philomathean Debating club, Maysville, Ky., for the first time at its thirty-third meeting, January 3, 1837. He took a prominent part at once, says McClure's. By a curious coincidence, the question for this first evening was: "Resolved, That the Texans were not justifiable in giving Santa Anna his liberty." In the names of the debaters this night there appeared on the record H. U. Grant. He was on the affirmative side. He was on the affirmative side at the thirty-fourth meeting, with this question: "Resolved, That females wield greater influence in society than the males." The affirmative side won in this case as well as the other. At the thirty-fifth meeting his name appears on the affirmative of the question (a very vital one at that time): "Resolved, That it would not be just and politic to liberate the slaves at this time." Again he was on the winning side. At the thirty-sixth meeting the name appears "U. Grant" on the affirmative side of the resolution that "Intemperance is a greater evil than war."

At the thirty-seventh meeting he was elected, together with his friend, A. H. Markland, and W. Richeson, as a member of the committee; he also took part in the debate on the question: "Resolved, That Socrates was right in not escaping when the prison doors were opened to him." He took the affirmative and it was again the successful side. And in all the succeeding meetings, down to March 27, 1837, the record shows him to have been active, but after that date his name does not appear. The probabilities are that he returned home to help put in the crop.

## A BELLE AT EIGHTY.

**Had a Lovely Neck and Arms and Wore Decollette Gowns.**

Some years ago there was an old lady in one of the southern capitals who not only wore decollete ball dresses at 80, but actually possessed the lovely neck and arms which they require, says the New York Ledger. She was most innocently vain; and no wonder, for she was immensely flattered and her townspeople valued her charms far above those of her young and more beautiful rivals. She had a curious way of preparing for a ball, which our modern fashionable women, with their multitudinous engagements would find difficult to emulate. The morning before she proposed appearing in full regalia she would take a brisk walk and return in time for a midday dinner, after which she remained quiet with her work until about three or four o'clock, when she would retire to her bed, take a very hot ptisan to inducee perspiration, and remain in bed (partaking of some light refreshment at the tea hour) until it was time to dress for her ball. Then she would get up, take a bath and make the most elaborate toilet. All the household regarded these preparations in the light of solemn rites, and would never have dreamed of laughing at them or interfering with them in any way. Her appearance was a triumph, never failing to excite the greatest admiration and adulation.

## A YAMAGATA BABY.

**Born in California to the Daughter of a Famous Japanese Field Marshal.**

Born on Sunday, November 15, at Oakland, Cal., to Matsuko Yamagata, daughter of Marquis Yamagata, field marshal of Japan, and wife of Yoskira, Funakoshi, vice consul of Japan, a son, weight nine pounds; mother and child are doing well, says the New York Journal.

Not this message exactly, but its substance arrived in New York, destined by cable for the distinguished commander of the Japanese army, and presumably he was for that day at least the happiest man in the mikado's realm. This child is the only heir of the famous Japanese families of Funakoshi and Yamagata. The mother is the only child of the marquis, who is a widower. And he has an adopted son who will perpetuate his name.

The daughter of the marquis is about 18 years of age and her husband is 25. She was educated in Miss Prince's English school for girls in Tokyo, and her husband spent eight years in the universities of Berlin, Strasburg and Tubingen. He speaks German almost as fluently as Japanese and English quite well, understanding it perfectly.

It is an interesting fact in this connection that Li Hung Chang, Grandpa Yamagata's Chinese diplomatic rival has also an adopted son. A little Li just now would make the whole world talk.

**A Peculiar Glass.**

The first explorers of China tell of a peculiar kind of glass shown them. Transparent and colorless, it was filled with a liquid made by the orientals, which to the observers appeared to be as clear as water. This liquor upon being poured into the glass seemed to be filled with fishes. This was not owing to any peculiarity of the fluid, but to the glass itself. The Chinese confessed that they did not make them, but that they were the plunder of some foreign conquest many centuries before.

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The annual election for Directors of this banl will be held at the banking rooms of the bank, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.

SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.


IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Hiram Selleck, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administratrix of all and singular, the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the office of Geo H Decker No 16 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, county of Orange and State of New York, on or before the first day of July next.

dWed6mJan30 MARY C. SELLECK, Admx.


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Boston Hot House Cucumbers Boston Head Lettuce White Onions, White Turnips Splendid Celery Spinach, Radishes Water Cresses Oyster Plant, Jordan Shelled Almonds, Full Cream Cheese, extra nice Neufchatel and Star Cream Cheese Edam and Pineapple Cheese Plum Pudding Choice Table Raisins Cepets Worcestershire Sauce, Sweet Oranges, Sweet Potatoes, choice Cape Cod Cranberries Potato Chips Sardines best imported Olives, etc

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# Are Your Feet Cold?

If so, try the Wishawaka All Wool Knit Boots. Felt Boots for little boys at little prices. Warm shoes for old ladies. High Cut Arctics at low cut prices.

Follow the footprints to

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**A Handsome Complexion** is one of the greatest charms a woman can possess. POZZONI'S COMPLEXION POWDER gives it.



# For Sale!

**The Widely Known and Popular Milling and Distillery Plant**

OF MR. THOS. MARSH, located at Phillipsburgh, upon the Wallkill River, 2½ miles from Middletown, conducted by Mr. Marsh since 1858. This is the best general feed and flouring mill in Orange county. Mill building 2½ story, frame 32x51, 4 run of stones, 80 to 100 horse power, with good separate machinery for grinding wheat, rye and buckwheat, all in excellent order, driven by 5 turbine water wheels with 6 feet head of water, and is one of the best water powers in Orange county, dam built upon rock bottom. The distilling plant is in good order, well equipped, steam power, spring water by pipe, capacity 20,000 bushels apples per season. The mill property contaens 84½ acres very choice land, good dwelling, barn and sheds. Also a perpetual right of way to and through Midway Park to about 7 acres of valuable woodland used as a private park, occupied in part by Smith & Backman, George Carter and others. Also all the water rights and privileges. This valuable property is offered at a reasonable price, upon reasonable terms, or an exchange in part may be entertained.

**A. V. BOAK,**

35 North Street, Middletown


THE People of the State of New York—To all persons interested in the estate of William T. Wallace, assigned to William B. Royce, for the benefit of creditors, send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear at a Special Term of the County Court, for the county of Orange, State of New York, to be holden at the Court House, in the village of Goshen, Orange county, New York, on the twenty sixth day of January, 1897, at ten o'clock a. m., then and there to show cause why a final settlement of the accounts of William B. Royce, assignee of above named William T. Wallace, insolvent debtor, should not be had, and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the Assignee's account.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the said County Court of the county of Orange, State of New [L. S.] York, to be hereunto affixed. Witness Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of said county, this 2d day of November, 1896.

JOHN J. BEATTIE, County Judge of Orange county.

WILLIAM T. O'NEILL, Attorney for Assignee.

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The purity of the lily, the glow of the rose, and the flush of Hebe combine in POZZONI'S wondrous Powder.



## 25 Valencia Oranges 25c.

SWEET JAMAICA ORANGES 20 AND 25 CENTS A DOZEN.

Fine Bananas, Grapes, Mixed Nuts 2 pounds for 25 cents, Paper Shell Almonds extra fine Table Raisins, extra fine Creamery Butter, all for New Years at

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**BEECHAM'S PILLS**

For Bilious and Nervous disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fullness and Swelling after meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c., when these symptoms are caused by constipation, as most of them are. THE FIRST DOSE WILL GIVE RELIEF IN TWENTY MINUTES. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one Box of these Pills and **they will be acknowledged to be**

**A WONDERFUL MEDICINE.**

**BEECHAM'S PILLS**, taken as directed, will quickly restore Females to complete health. They promptly remove obstructions or irregularities of the system. For a

**Weak Stomach Impaired Digestion Disordered Liver**

they act like magic—a few doses will work wonders upon the Vital Organs; strengthening the muscular system, restoring the long-lost complexion, bringing back the keen edge of appetite, and arousing with the **Rosebud of Health the whole physical energy of** the human frame. These are facts admitted by thousands, in all classes of society, and one of the best guarantees to the Nervous and Debilitated is that **Beecham's Pills have the Largest Sale of any Patent Medicine in the World.**

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# DAILY ARGUS.

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GEORGE H. THOMPSON, EDITOR.
J. F. ROBINSON, A. E. NICKINSON, CITY EDITORS.

MONDAY, JAN. 4, 1897.


The Senatorial fight in Pennsylvania has reached the point where arrests for the bribery of legislators are being made. Strange to say the alleged bribers are not adherents of the wicked Quay but of the psalm-singing Wannamaker. Quay, who has had opportunities for knowing just how much faith is to be placed in Wannamaker's professions of high morality, put detectives on the track of his agents with the result that one of them has been arrested, charged with bribing two members of the lower house and there seems to be indisputable documentary evidence to support the charge.

Senator Wolcott sailed for Europe, today, to ascertain the sentiments of financiers and statesmen in regard to international bemetallism. He goes not as McKinley's representative, as has been announced, but at the request of the Bimetallic League and expects to make his report in two months. He has no idea that he can accomplish anything for he does not believe that any of the European countries will consent to abandon the single gold standard but says that the Republican party is pledged to do all in its power to bring about an international agreement for the restoration of silver to its old place as one of the money metals of the world.

One of the first official acts of Gov. Black, whose Republicanism is of the kind that thinks a Democrat "past prayingfor," was to order the Superintendent of Public Buildings to discharge all the Democrats employed on the Capitol. The order was accompanied by an intimation that if it was not promptly obeyed a new Superintendent would be appointed. The significance of this decapitation is that it is accepted as a declaration of the Governor's intention that every Democrat in the State service, who is not protected by civil service rules, will have to get out that his place may be filled by a Republican. It is even possible that the Governor's partisanship may lead him to order a new civil service classification in order that he may rid the departments of Democratic clerks.

The Republican tariff makers could do much to popularize any measure they may prepare if they would add to it a provision that whenever it can be established that a combination or trust has been formed to maintain or increase the price of any protected article, all duties on that article shall cease, and it shall go on the free list. Senator Sherman once said, before the alliance between the Republican party and the trusts had been formed and cemented, that a reduction of the duties on foreign goods competing with those which a combination was seeking to control, was the most effective safeguard against trusts and monopolies; but Mr. Sherman never tried to put his very practical idea in effective form. There is no likelihood of its being done now. The trusts put up the money for Republican campaigns, and get it back a hundredfold through legislation which permits them to pillage the people.

## CONFERENCE WITH BISHOP POTTER

**The Vestory of Grace Church Consult Him in Regard to Rector Evans' Resignation.**

Henry W. Wiggins, Senior Warden of Grace church, and Vestrymen J. B. Carson, T. K. DeWitt, and D. F. Seward went to Goshen, yesterday, to consult with Bishop Potter concerning the resignation of Rector Evans. After a short informal talk, the Bishops asked the vestry to submit to him in writing a statement of Rector Evans' resignation and the vestry's reused to accept it and promised that he would act on it without delay.

**Temperature of Deep Wells.**

W. Bullock, a government expert geologist, has taken the temperature at various depths in the famous "deep wells" at Wheeling, W. Va. Several of these are over 4,000 feet in depth. In one of them (one in which the depth, as given by the foreman of the drilling company which put the well down, is 4,558 feet), it was found that the temperature at a depth of 1,300 feet was 20.4 degrees centigrade. When the instrument was lowered to a depth of 2,000 feet and given time to do its registering, it was found that the mark had been set at 32.2, while at a point only eight feet from the bottom and 4,550 feet from the surface of the earth it registered as high as 43.4 degrees.

**Making Artificial Sugar.**

A feat of much scientific interest, if not of immediate commercial value, is the production of chemical sugar by Profs. Fischer and Tafel in the laboratory of the University of Wurzberg. It has all of the properties and appearances of genuine or natural sugar, except that it is incapable of rotating a beam of polarized light.

**Firemen on Ocean Steamers.**

One hundred and twenty firemen are required to feed the furnaces of a first-class Atlantic steamer.

**One Minute Cough Cure, cures.**
That is what it was made for.

# LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

THE REPUBLICAN VICTORY IN FRANCE.

By United Press.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The returns of the elections in France, yesterday, for one-third of the members of the Senate, shows that 69 republicans, 13 radicals, 3 socialists, 12 reactionists were elected.

DEATH OF PUGILIST DUFFY.

BY UNITED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—James Duffy, the young Boston pugilist, who collapsed from cerebral hemorrhage after a contest here, Saturday night, died early this morning.

WHAT WEYLER EXPECTS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

HAVANA, Jan. 4.—It is expected that Gomez and other insurgent leaders will soon make overtures with a view to securing favorable terms of surrender.

SENATOR PALMER BETTER.

BY UNITED PRESS.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 2.—Senator John M. Palmer, who has been seriously ill for four days, with a cold, which threatened to develop into pneumonia, was much improved last night.

SENATOR-ELECT MONEY STILL MISSING.

BY UNITED PRESS.

HAVANA, Jan. 4.—There is no clue to the whereabouts of Congressman Money, of Mississippi, United States Senator-elect, who disappeared Saturday morning.

MORE WESTERN BANK FAILURES.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 4.—The Germania Bank here closed its doors, this morning.

The deposits of the suspended bank were over $1,000,000 on Dec. 17th—the date of its last report.

The Allemand Bank here suspended, today.

## ROUTED A MASKED ROBBER.

**A Newburgh Marketman Puts to Flight a Bold Highwayman**

Adin Gerow, a Newburgh marketman, while on his way home about midnight, Saturday night, was stopped on Clark street by a masked man, who presented a revolver and demanded his money. Mr. Gerow had his hands in his overcoat pockets, in one of which he had placed a revolver and he at once fired at the highwayman, who promptly returned the fire and then turned and fled. Mr. Gerow fired two more shots after the fugitive. The fleeing man left a trail of blood behind him but where he went could not be fully traced.

**A Mission at St. Mary's Church.**

Rev. Father Sally is holding a mission at St. Mary's Church in Port Jervis. He is being assisted by two Lazarist priests. The mission will continue two weeks.

**Attending N. R. Hankins' Funeral.**

Supt. Hopkins, Claim Agent Marsden and Master Mechanic Minshull went to Norwich, last night, to attend the funeral of N. R. Hankins.

**Death at the Old Ladies' Home.**

Mrs. Van Blarcom, an aged widow, died at the Old Ladies' Home on South street, this afternoon, of general debility. She carried on the millinery business in this city for many years, until failing health compelled her to give up work and friends secured for her admission at the Home.

**$100 Reward, $100.**

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

**A Million Gold Dollars,**

Would not bring happiness to the person suffering with dyspepsia, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured many thousands of cases of this disease. It tones the stomach, regulates the bowels and puts all the machinery of the system in good working order. It creates a good appetite and gives health, strength and happiness.

Hood's Pills act harmoniously with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

**A Great Medicine Given Away.**

J. J. Chambers is now giving free to all a trial package of the great herbal remedy, Bacon's Celery King. If ladies suffering from nervous disorders and constipation will use this remedy they will soon be free from the headaches and backaches that have caused them so much suffering. It is a perfect regulator. It quickly cures biliousness, indigestion, eruptions of the skin and all blood diseases. Large sizes 50c. and 25c.

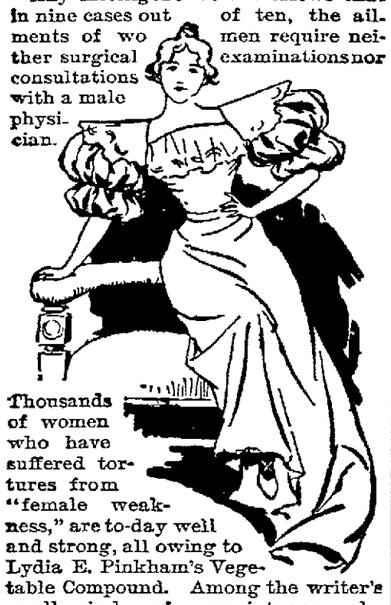

## SUFFERING NEEDLESS.

**The Most Intelligent Women Now Realize This Fact.**

**Ailments that Require Neither Surgical Operations Nor Consultations With Male Physicians—Useless Cruelty.**

There are two classes of women: those who always want the doctor and those who help themselves.

Any intelligent woman knows that in nine cases out of ten, the ailments of women require neither surgical examinations nor consultations with a male physician.



Thousands of women who have suffered tortures from "female weakness," are to-day well and strong, all owing to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Among the writer's small circle of acquaintances, she knows of no less than twenty-five cases cured within a few weeks, and this after the doctors had stated that the only chance left was a surgical operation.

Following we give a statement from a lady who went through three such operations. What was the good? We call it cruelty.

"For nearly eight years I suffered with headaches, spinal weakness, painful menstruations, faintness, dizziness, weakness of the stomach, nervousness and sharp pains darting through my whole system. I was doctoring all the time, and had three operations. I was completely discouraged, and with little faith I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I have taken five bottles, and now find myself well. I feel it my duty to tell these facts, for I owe my life to the Vegetable Compound, and if I had only had faith before, I would have avoided those fearful and useless operations; let every woman take warning from me."—MRS. F. H. MEADSKER, Leslie, Mich.


## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

**Of St. Joseph's Catholic Benevolent Society.**

The annual meeting of St. Joseph's Catholic Benevolent Society, was held at the rooms in the Nearing building, yesterday afternoon. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—T. Frank Culhuan.
Vice-Pres.—John B. Carey.
Rec. Sec.—August Heineman.
Fin. Sec.—Michael Cashman.
Treasurer—John A. Lovely.
Guard—Michael Garland.
Trustees—John Gavin, Thos. Donovan, J. C. Degnan, James McGarvey, John Walsh.

A. Heinneman was appointed committee on subletting the rooms.

It was decided to offer a prize to the person bringing the largest number of new members during the year.

**Postmaster's Salary Cut.**

The withdrawal of the business of the Emerson Wine Company from the Washingtonville post office will reduce Postmaster Barrett's salary $700. The politicians will no longer give so much attention to the selection of Mr. Barrett's successor.

**Salt Trains to Pass Over the Erie.**

Three trains made up of 160 cars, carrying 5,000,000 pounds of salt, will start for New York from Silver Springs, Wednesday, Jan. 6th, and will pass through this city on the Erie, Thursday morning, at 8:35.

**Special Services at St. Joseph's Church, This Week.**

Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church, at 9 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, which is the Feast of the Epipany.

On Saturday, a "month's mind" will be celebrated at 9 a. m., for the late James Mahon.


**Merit Talks**

"Merit talks" the intrinsic value of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Merit in medicine means the power to cure. Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses actual and unequalled curative power and therefore it has true merit. When you buy Hood's Sarsaparilla, and take it according to directions, to purify your blood, or cure any of the many blood diseases, you are morally certain to receive benefit. The power to cure is there. You are not trying an experiment. It will make your blood pure, rich and nourishing, and thus drive out the germs of disease, strengthen the nerves and build up the whole system.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**

Is the best in fact—the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

**Hood's Pills** Do not purge, pain or gripe. All druggists. 25c.

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# This Season's Cloaks.

Your Choice of Our Stock, With a Few Exceptions, at $3.89 Each.

An early call will be to your advantage.
Special values in Blankets, Comfortables, Flannel Underwear
If you want Dress Goods see us.

**CARSON & TOWNER,**
No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

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Happy New Year to All.
The Great Rush is Over!

But we begin to-day to make a special reduction in prices on READY MADE CLOTHING. Ulsters, Overcoats, Reefers, Suits and extra Pantaloons, also Underwear, Hosiery, Cardigan Jackets and Sweaters, Gloves, Mittens, Silk Hats and Caps, all grades. MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT—In order to keep our men busy we will make an Overcoat, Suit or extra Trousers at a big reduction from regular price. Now is your time to get a bargain.

Remember we carry a big stock of Trunks and Satchels, Mackintosh Coats, Rubber Coats and Umbrellas. Now is your chance.

**JOHN E. ADAMS,**
Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

Goods, Bought at Our Own Price. We Sell Them Accordingly.

**H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,**
No. 39 North Street.

ALL OUR FANCY

**HOLIDAY GOODS!**

Are Offered Not Merely at Cost, But at Much Less Than Cost to Close.

We Open To-day Five Cases of

**FOR CHRISTMAS.**

Saratoga Chips, Christmas Candies, Olives, Plum Pudding, Cape Cod Cranberries, Malaga and Catawba Grapes, Oranges, Bananas, Nuts, Candies, Fancy Table Raisins, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, Leggett's Old Fashioned Pie Crust.

GOOD GOODS CHEAP.

**BROSS & MUNDY,**
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Periodicals on Cash Sales.

**SAMUEL LIPFELD,**
No. 25 North Street

**Inventory Clearing Sale**

Entire stock marked down to half and less to move it quickly before inventory.

Too much stock on hand necessitates quick **REDUCTIONS** before inventory clearance.

Call and be convinced.

**SAMUEL LIPFELD,**
25 North Street.

# "WHAT'S THE USE!"

Every one is telling the same story. You know what it is Holidays are over, balance of stock MUST be sold before stock taking.

"What's the use" of saying that the stock MUST be sold before stock taking. We have some we are not anxious about, but we have others that we would like to close before Feb. 1st, and we propose to cut the prices so that they WILL NOT be here then. We call your attention to a few departments.

**Dress Goods!**

Several very good things still to be found there at prices to suit you.

**COATS AND CAPES!**

Anything you may select in this department will be found to cost just what you want to pay.

**UNDERWEAR!**

A full and complete line in every department — men's, women's, children's. All sizes and all qualities still in stock. These to go also before Feb. 1st.

**J. D. HORTON, AGT.,**
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**NEXT.**

All Kinds of Shaving Utensils

Razors, Razor Strops, Brushes, Soap, Toilet Water, Toilet Powder, Bay Rum, etc., at

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**CLEAN TEETH**

Indicate cleanliness of habit. Will insure you clean teeth if you use my superior tooth powder. Is not injurious but effectual. Can speak from a personal experience of about 30 years. Secured the formula from a well-known dentist. Customers are very much pleased with the powder. Free sample.

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# MORTH RECORDING.

Every one has plenty of things needing to be recorded this year. We can supply you with just the books to make the record in.

Everything in Blank Books from a penny pass book to a thousand page ledger.

Diaries, Fine Memorandums and Expense Books.

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**10 PER CENT. DISCOUNT**

ON

**All Overcoats, Suits or Trousers!**

made to order in our Custom Department.

All Ready-made Overcoats and Ulsters at reduced prices.

Fleece-lined Underwear at cost.

All Heavy Goat and Siberian Dog Robes at cost.

**GEO. W. YOUNG.**

I sell dry wood, always kept under shelter. You can be sure of a dry article at

**E. H. GREGORY'S.**
Telephonecall 129.

**Felt Boots and Overs**

**$1.75 a Pair,**

**all Sizes.**

**MEN'S ARCTICS 95C.**

**MEN'S RUBBERS 45C.**

**"The Hub" Shoe Store,**
13 West Main Street.

**DUTCHESS TROUSERS.**

Have you ever worn a pair? If you do, you will never use any other make. Read their warrantee:—"Buy a pair of all wool Pants, $2 up, wear them two months, and for every suspender button comes off we will pay you 10c., if they rip at the waistband we will pay you 50c., if they rip in the seat or elsewhere we will pay you $1 or give you a new pair.

**Morris B. Wolf,**
Blue Front Store,
10 North Street.

C. E. CRAWFORD FURNITURE CO.

# 25 Ladies' and Misses' Desks Left Over.

We bought 100 Oak and Birch Ladies' and Misses' Desks for the Holidays. We have 25 left and we will close them out at the rediculously price of

**$2.39.**

☞Don't all speak at once.

**C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.**

44-46 North Street. Middletown.

IT MAKES THE HANDS SMOOTH AND WHITE AND PREVENTS HANG-NAILS.




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McMonagle & Rogers' Orange Flower Balm 25 cents.

30 North street and 155 North street (North Side Pharmacy).

LANA OIL COMPLEXION SOAP, made from pure stock, delightfully perfumed, a generous sized cake; it is a remarkable value at 25c a box— our price.

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# 25 PER CENT. DISCOUNT

on all Holiday Novelties displayed in our windows from this date to Jan. 1st, 1897.

Don't miss seeing them. There may be something there that you could use three hundred and sixty-five days in the year.

A grand opportunity to buy New Year's Gifts at your own price.

*7 West Main Street, Middletown.*

Fancher's

# DAILY ARGUS.

MONDAY, JAN. 4, 1897

**OPEN EVENINGS.**

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Threatening weather and light rain; southerly shifting to westerly winds; colder Tuesday.

## THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **42°**; 12 m., **50°**; 3 p. m., **54°**.

## AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Jan. 8—"Town Talk," at Casino.
—Jan. 14—Printer's ball (masquerade), at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 15 29—Bachelor Club hops.
—Feb. 1-6—McQuoid Engine Co.'s fair, at Assembly Rooms.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Bargains in jewelry at F. D. Kernochan's.
—Ten per cent discount at Geo W. Young's.
—Duchess trousers $2 up at Morris Wolf's.
—"What's the use." See adv. of J. D. Horton.
—Girl wanted to do housework.
—Cake walk at Assembly Rooms, Jan. 5th.
—Handy helpers at Millspaugh Hardware Co.'s
—Blankets and comfortables cheap at Adams'.
—Ladies' vests 33c at Weller & Demerest's.
—Household furniture at auction Jan. 6th.

## LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—"Town Talk in McFadden's Row of Flats," Friday evening.

—Regular monthly meetings of the several fire companies, this evening.

—The ARGUS is indebted to Insurance Agent E. E. Conkling for handsome calendars.

—Band meeting at the armory, to-night. Every member is requested to be present.

—At a recent sale near Walton cows averaged $23 and hay brought from $12 to $15 a ton.

—One of the features of McQuoid's ball will be a booth in Hogan's Alley.

—The Liquor Dealer's Association is holding a meeting, this afternoon.

—The losses of the Sussex County Mutual Insurance Co., for the last fiscal year, were only $1,100.

—W. H. Degnan, the plumber at the State Hospital, is confined to his home, on East Main street, with the grip.

—It is expected to have the steam heating apparatus in operation in the new Erie depot, Thursday of this week.

—Bear in mind the printers' masquerade ball at the Assembly Rooms, Jan. 14, which will be the last of the season.

—Dont fail to see "Town Talk in McFadden's Row of Flats" at the Casino, next Friday evening.

—The new high school building is now enclosed and work upon the interior will probably be carried forward rapidly.

—Mendelssohn's woolen mill on Quassaic Creek, near Newburgh, has shut down indefinitely. It employed about 100 hands.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., will be held in their rooms, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

—Surprise Hook and Ladder Co. will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 7:30 o'clock, to-night. All members are requested to be present.

—A concert and cake walk will be given at the Assembly Rooms, to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, by Prof. White's company. The prize cake is on exhibition in the window of Hummell's bakery.

—The name of J. H. Holmes, successor to A. T. Squires, was omitted from the list of merchants, who signed the early closing agreement, which was published Saturday.

—A meeting of special interest to all the members of the senior and junior classes of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 5th, at 7.30 o'clock. It is hoped that every member will be present.

## PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Albert Mapes, of near Howells, suffered a stroke of paralysis, yesterday.

—Chas. C. Tepe, of this city, went to Albany, last evening, for a short visit.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Herrick returned from their bridal tour Saturday evening.

—E. H. Barto, travelling passenger agent of the Erie Railway Co., was in town, to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Lawder returned last evening, from a week's visit to friends in New York.

—Mrs Decker, mother of A. T. Decker, is quite sick with pneumonia at her residence on Wallkill avenue.

—Paul H. Little and Phil. Rotty returned to Cornell University, to-day.

—Allan W. Corwin returned to Harvard Law School, to-day.

—Miss Eloise Harding, who has been spending the holiday vacation with her parents, returned to Cornell University, to-day.

—Miss Mamie Connell, of Newburgh, has taken a position as attendant at the State Hospital.

—James Powers, of New York, who has been visiting his parents in this city, returned home last night.

—We regret to learn that the condition of Elder Benton Jenkins is regarded as very critical and it is feared he can survive but a short time.

—Mrs. D. H. Arthur and her daughters, who have been spending the holidays at the home of her father, Hon. G. M. Beebe, in Brooklyn, returned home, Saturday evening.

—Miss Margaret Vail, who makes her home at the residence of H. W. Brink, near Bloomingburgh, is critically ill at the residence of N. T. Smith, on West Main street, where she has been visiting for the past two weeks

—Dr. Geo. Allen, of the State Hospital staff, is confined to his room by illness.

—Charles Booth, of Deckertown, was calling on friends in this city, to-day.

—Ferdinand Stern, of Newburgh, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. L. Stern, on West Main street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thos. M. Gillen returned last evening, from Newburgh, where they had been visiting his brother, John A. Gillen.

—S Lipfeld, L. Stern and A. Budwig were at Walden, yesterday, attending services in which Jerome Jonas was confirmed in the Jewish faith.

—A. H. Russell, of New York, who has been spending a few days with his brother, E. R. Russell, of the Oriental Hotel, returned home, to-day.

## JUDGE HIRSCHBERG'S FIRST COURT

**Opening of the January Trial Term of the Supreme Court at Goshen—Brief Charge to the Grand Jury—Many Railroad Cases Go Over—Special Term Business.**

GOSHEN, Jan. 4.—There is little difference in the way court opens from term to term and from year to year. Judges may come and go as each in the judicial district takes his turn upon the bench or as time removes one and another from his accustomed place and younger men are elevated to the seats of honor they have filled for many years, but the usual aspects remain the same. There is the same procession moving toward the Court House as the hour for opening approaches, the same appearance of men upon the court house porch and steps, and upon the green and walk in front, who might as far as a casual glance would show be the same identical individuals who stood upon the same porch and steps thirty years ago in waiting for the appearance of the judges of those days,—Judge Lott, Judge Schrugham, Judge Barnard, men some of whose names are to-day well nigh forgotten.

Judges are not prompt in opening court on the opening day. The trains do not run so as to enable them to leave their homes and arrive at the appointed hour. In consequence every one waits in patience until the train which carries his honor comes and time elapses sufficient for a leisurely walk from the station to the temple of justice on the hill.

Judge Hirschberg appeared at 10:45, smiling and affable, with a bow to every one who could claim his aquaintance, and an agreeable air which put every one at ease. "There goes a gentleman, every inch of him," remarked an attorney at my left as his honor passed among the throng. Two bunches of flowers lay upon his desk, brilliant with yellows, pinks and red, tied with gay ribbons.

The charge to the Grand Jury was very brief. The instructions provided by recent laws are so clear and explicit that no specific details of their duties are deemed necessary. "You have the book to guide you and the District Attorney to explain all you may not understand, and hence it is unnecessary for me to address you at length" was substantially the whole of his honor's address.

Forty-nine petit jurors answered to the roll call and the clerk told all who had excuses to make them now. "Legal excuses only," remarked Judge Hirschberg, as the jurors filed forward to explain why they should be absolved from performing the duty of citizenship. The most, if not all, who applied, appeared to obtain the wish of their hearts and left the room with countenances on which satisfaction with the result of their brief interview with the court was the most conspicuous feature denoted

Business of the Special Term was the next in order. No one except the judge and attorney knows what is transpiring, consists of orders drawn by the attorney, which are handed up to the judge, who signs them and hands them back to the attorney. The papers contain nothing of interest except to the parties interested.

No 97 was called peremptorily.

INQUESTS.

No. 114 was called and an inquest taken for $408.20 with five per cent allowance.

No. 118, $99.33 was granted to plaintiff with five per cent allowance.

No. 130, judgment granted for $52.81 to plaintiff with five per cent allowance.

No. 142, judgment granted to plaintiff for $66.33 with five per cent allowance.

Mr. O'Neill presented paper and made a motion to re-open a judgment of some $2,000 against B. F. Low, which is now owned by W. J. Groo who had bought it. The motion was opposed by Mr. Vanamee and was denied by the court.

The following cases were called peremptorily, and no one appearing, will not be heard at this term: Nos. 6, 9, 18 and 20.

No. 31, the People vs. Thomas Cuddeback and both sides being ready a jury was sworn in and took their places.

The case is for violation of the game laws in having constructed an eel weir without a ten foot passage for fish and boats across the Bashas Kill. Dr. Willet Kidd testified to having visited the defendant's place and witnessed a weir or dam which was built clear across the stream, and in the centre of which was a rack. The doctor bought some eels which were in a car which was anchored below the rack and one picked from the defendant for six cents a pound. The case was still on when Court took a recess for dinner.

The next case to be called will be No 44, Evi Litts against the N. Y., L. E. and W. R. R. Co.

Judge Hirschberg said that in a large number of railroad suits he had been consulted by attorneys and that he could not hear any such cases.

## OBITUARY.

**N. R. Hankins.**

N. R. Hankins, at one time Division Superintendent of the Southern Division of the O. and W., died Friday at Tottenville, S. I., where he had lived for a number of years, while holding a responsible position on the Staten Island Railroad.

Mr. Hankins was born at Hankins, Sullivan county, sixty years ago. His early life was spent in lumbering and when a young man he engaged in railroading. He entered the service of the O. and W. as a conductor about the time that company succeeded the old Midland and was soon afterwards made Division Superintendent, a position which he held for several years. He was for a short time superientendent of the Wallkill Valley road. After leaving here Mr. Hankins engaged in contracting for several years, but returned to railroading.

He is survived by his widow and by three sons and a daughter. The sons are George, of this city, traveling auditor of the O. and W.; Will, of Santa Fe, clerk in the superintendent's office of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, and Alonzo, who is in the West. The daughter is Mrs. W. B. Andrews, of Norwich.

The body was taken to Norwich, last night, and funeral services were held there, to-day.

**Mrs. Harriet Dorr Norton-Warren.**

Mrs. Harriet Dorr Norton, widow of the late Charles W. Warren, died shortly after 2 o'clock, this morning, at her home, the Bennett homestead, on South street, after an illness lasting only from last Thursday.

Mrs. Warren and her husband, who had retired from business in New York, came to Middletown in April, 1890. Her husband died June 6, 1892.

She was about seventy years old and was the last of a family of ten brothers and sisters. She had no children and her nearest living relative is a cousin, Mrs. Cutler, of Otego, N. Y., who visited her recently and returned home the day before she took sick. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Fourteenth street and Second avenue, New York city. She was a regular attendant at the First Presbyterian Church during her residence in this city. She will be buried in Trinity's new cemetery, New York city.

Mrs. Warren's maiden name was Harriet Dorr Norton. She was a sister of Captain Francis Norton, who started out with his wife and five others about five years ago to cross the Atlantic from Toulon, France, in a small boat built by himself called the "Neversink," which he claimed was non-sinkable and non-capsizable. The boat and its occupants have never been heard from since and are believed to have been lost.

Mrs. Warren's husband was a great traveller and had made a fine collection of minerals and fancy woods. Since his death Mrs. Warren has presented a large number of the finest mineral specimens to the Central Park Museum and it is understood had arranged for the disposition of the remainder of the collection in a similar way.

**Mayme Bennett.**

From our Bloomingburgh Correspondent.

The many friends of Miss Mayme Bennett will learn with sorrow of her sudden death, which occurred New Year's morning, while visiting at the home of her uncle, Carl Watson, in New York city.

Miss Bennett was born at Napanoch, Ulster county, where she lived until ten years ago, when she went to live with an uncle in New York. Three years later she went to St. Louis, Mo., to live with her uncle, H. E. Bennett, where she has since resided. She spent two months last summer at the home of her uncle, C. E. Bennett, in Bloomingburg, and she returned to New York expecting to spend some time there before returning to her home in St. Louis.

Miss Bennett was a very bright young lady and her amiable disposition won for her friends wherever she went, who will learn of her death with sadness. Her father, C. V. Bennett, of Bloomingburgh, survives. Mrs. E. T. Hawley of the same place is a cousin of the deceased

**A Former O. and W's. Man's Promotion.**

C. Halligan, Jr. who was formerly connected with the Ontario and Western railroad has been appointed trainmaster of three divisons of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois. His many friends in the east congratulate him on well deserved promotion. Mr. Halligan is a brother of Conductor Halligan of the O. and W.

**Real Estate Sales.**

—The Lipsett farm near Montgomery containing 117 acres, with fair buildings, has been sold to Mr. Gregg, of Campbell Hall, for only $2,500.

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## AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

**Cataracts' Monthly Meeting — A Very Low Rate of Interest—The Opening of Court—Close of St. John's Church Fair —Confirmation at St. James'.**

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—A regular monthly meeting of Cataract E. and H. Co. will be held on Friday evening next.

—At St. John's Church at 8 o'clock, Wednesday morning, mass will be said in honor of the Epiphany.

—The ten $1,000 water bonds bearing interest at 4 per cent., which were sold by the village treasurer at the Corporation Building Saturday morning, were purchased by the Goshen Savings bank at 110. Because of the 10 per cent. premium the bonds will pay a trifle more than 3 per cent. interest.

—A large number of lawyers, witnesses and litigants are in town, to-day, in attendance at the Supreme Court, which opened this morning.

—St. John's Church fair was closed, Saturday night, and all the articles on exhibition were disposed of. For two months past it has been opened two nights each week and has been largely attended and successfully conducted.

—St. James Guild will elect officers, Wednesday.

—Twenty-one persons were confirmed at St. James' Church by Bishop Potter, yesterday morning, about half of whom were grown people. The ceremonies were impressive and were followed with an address by the Bishop. Ten of those confirmed were from Chester.

—John D. Kane, of Goshen, is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. J. H. Welsh, of Matamoras, and with friends in Port Jervis.—*Gazette.*

## KNIGHTS OF MACCABEES.

**Officers Elected at the Annual Meeting of Middletown Tent.**

At the annual meeting of Middletown Tent, No. 283, Knights of the Maccabees of the World, held Thursday night, the following officers were elected:

Commander—K. W. Stuhl.
Lieut. Com.—Robert J. Leemon.
Sergeant—Chas. Z. Taylor.
Master at Arms—H. C. Corwin.
Chaplain—Henry C. Corwin.
Finance Keeper—Edwin Thorpe
Record Keeper—A. C. Thompson.
1st Master of Guard—A. V. Penny.
2nd Master of Guard—W. G. Rogers.
Sentinel—G. H. Hadden.
Picket—Chas. H. Bowers.

**Killed in a Prize Fight in Dutchess County.**

Daniel Flanagan, white, and William Catskill, colored, each about eighteen years old, fought a prize fight at Low Point, Dutchess county, Saturday night, for a purse of $40 a side, the loser to have the gate receipts which were about $25. Flanagan was knocked out in the ninth round and is reported to have died from the effects of the blow.

**A Child Burned to Death.**

J. Kenneth, the two-year-old son of Frank Wells, of Newton, was so badly burned, Saturday evening, that he died in three hours. It is supposed that the little fellow, who had been left alone in the house with other children, caught fire from the stove. John S. Wells, the child's grandfather, was severely burned in an attempt to save the child.

**Card of Thanks**

The undersigned wish to extend to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us since the death of our mother.

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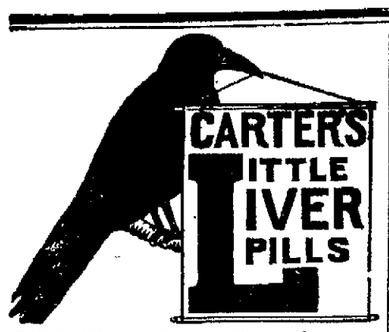


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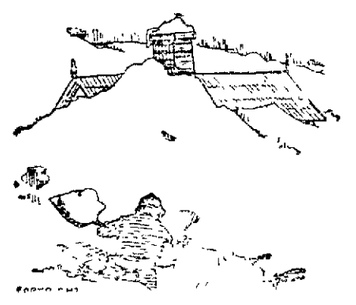

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After they had been introduced they strolled away from the crowd and he told her about his sisters and his mother, who were in Europe, and Beatrice Montgomery suddenly realized that the flame of love was beginning to flicker in her breast.

She talked vivaciously of her days at Wellesley and of her explorations in the rich mines of Sanskrit and of her investigations of the mahatmas and the occult flap-doodles of the far east.

Then he told her about his horses and his rubber-tired traps, and they gazed into each other's eyes and sighed a lot of long-drawn sighs and were beginning to feel that they had passed through the pearly gates and were strolling through streets that were paved with gold.

At last Beatrice Montgomery said:

"You have told me about your mother and your sisters being in Europe, but you have said nothing about your father. Is he with them?"

"No," the handsome young man replied, after a painful pause; "he is not with them. My mother is a widow woman."

When the doctors had finally succeeded in bringing the fair Boston girl out of her swoon she waved her hands at Harold Bentley and wildly cried:

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## SUE'S "WANDERING JEW."

**It So Fascinated a Missouri Man That He Hardly Took Time to Eat.**

"I remember what a wonderful fascination Eugene Sue's 'Wandering Jew' had for me when as a boy I got hold of the coveted work I had heard so much about," said L. M. Vincent, of St. Louis, to a Washington Post representative.

"I would scarcely take time to eat, so tremendously was I excited over the fortunes of Rose and Blanche, Djalma and Adrienne, and all my studies were neglected till the last page of the harrowing story had been perused. The other day by accident a copy of that long-spun-out romance fell into my hands while traveling, and I thought I'd beguile an hour or so in reading a chapter here and there.

"But less than an hour was sufficient to excite such profound disgust at the book that caught my youthful fancy, that I tossed it aside with contempt. How a grown-up person with any literary taste could read such utter rot is past my comprehension. It is a vile story, vilely told. In contrast to this I could not help but think of my reading of 'The Antiquary' for the second time after the lapse of 30 years. The grace of its telling and the charm of its characters were even stronger than in those early days. The product of the master appeals to all generations, and the time will never come when such beautiful stories as 'The Antiquary' will not count their readers by the tens of thousands."

## FLIES AND WASPS.

**Hundreds of the Pests Killed by the Hawk Insects.**

By common agreement the wasp is accepted as emblematical of irritability and petty malignity; but even this much-abused hymenopterous insect plays a beneficial part in the work of nature.

A number of wasps were seen by Mr. R. M. Barrington, an Irish naturalist, buzzing about his cows. Closer inspection revealed that they were all busy catching flies, and pouncing with the rapidity of hawks after birds on the flies as they tried to settle or rest on some favorite part of the cows. One white cow drew more wasps than any of the others, because the moment a fly alighted it was seen at once against the skin. When a wasp catches a fly it immediately bites off both wings, sometimes a leg or two, occasionally the head.

Mr. Barrington saw some of the wasps when laden with one fly catch another, without letting go the first, and then fly away with both. There was a constant stream of wasps carrying away flies, probably to feed the larvae in their nests, and returning again to the cows to catch more. In about 20 minutes Mr. Barrington estimated that between 300 and 400 flies were caught on two cows lying close to where he stood.

### A Pretty Story.

Here is a pretty story of the young empress of Russia. A number of ladies had been invited to the palace, in order that the empress might think them personally for their share in a recently concluded charitable entertainment. Of course, all of them, womanlike, were longing to tell me after the little girl, but felt that the query would sound cold and formal if, according to etiquette, they gave the child all her titles. But there is a wonderful freemasonry in motherhood, and one of the ladies, whose own sweet little girl was born on the same day as Grand Duchess Olga—a fact well known to the empress said, quite naturally: "How is the baby?" The effect was magical. The empress' face no longer wore what we may call the state smile, but was radiant as she talked of her little pet.

### The Color of Adam and Eve.

It was an American clergyman who held the theory that Adam and Eve were black people. His idea was that when man appeared on the earth the whole climate of the globe was as hot as nowadays in mid Africa, and so our first parents were necessarily as dark as negroes. When the ages rolled on and the northern climate became colder, man took to wearing clothes and dwelling under shelter, with the result that his skin was bleached and he became a white being, while the negro in the torrid zone kept his original color.


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To the above named defendants:—You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer judgment will be taken against you for default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial to be had in the County of Orange.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1896.

VANAMEE, WATTS & VAIL, Plaintiff's Attorneys, office and post office address, 1 East Main street, Middletown N Y

To Sarah Bodine, Agnes Maud Jones, S M Richards, Frank P Richards and Eva Richards, his wife, Louisa Capps, Charles H Richards and Estella Richards his wife, Maggie Simpson, Anne White Hezekiah Bodine, David James Newkirk and Katharine Newkirk, his wife

The foregoing summons is served upon you by public notice pursuant to an order of Hon William D. Dickey, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated December 5th, 1896 and filed with the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the county of Orange at Goshen, Orange county, New York

VANAMEE, WATTS & VAIL, Attorneys for plaintiff, office and post office address, No. 1 East Main street Middletown Orange county, New York

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IN pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Orange notice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of William H Woodruff, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof to the subscribers, the administratrix and administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the residence of the administratrix, Antionette A Woodruff, in the town of Crawford, aforesaid, that in place of transacting business of said estate on or before the 10th day of June 1897

Dated December 10th, 1896.

ANTOINETTE A WOODRUFF, administratrix, RICHARD A WOODRUFF, administrator

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate in the county of Orange, notice is hereby given according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Evaline Decker, late of the town of Minisink, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at her place of residence, in the town of Greenville, on or before the 20th day of March next

Dated September 8th, 1896.

MINNIE CLARK, Executrix.

C W COLEMAN, Attorney for Executrix, Goshen, N. Y wTu6mMch15


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Orange Co. Trust and Safe Deposit Co.

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## COLTON'S ADVICE.

**A Bit of Wisdom Many Would Do Well to Adopt.**

The other day, as I was clinging to the strap of a Lexington avenue car, says a writer in the Christian Advocate, two ladies sat near me, and as one opened her portemonnaie to pay her fare a scrap of paper pasted to the leather was disclosed.

"Is that your shopping list?" asked the other. "It doesn't look like a long one."

"No," was the reply, "it is not the list, but it is what keeps the list from being a long one," and she read:

"He who buys what he does not need will soon need what he cannot buy."

"What a capital guardian of your capital! You must let me copy that for my leaky purse. Who wrote it?"

"I don't know, but I wish I did, for he has saved many a dollar from lightly rolling from my hands since I put it here."

I was intensely interested in the conversation, for at that very moment there lay in my notebook a scrap which I would have brought forth but for the fact that my own corner was reached.

I publish it, for if the truth which it contains were assimilated many a pocketbook would remain a pocketbook:

"We are ruined, not by what we really want, but by what we think we do; therefore, never go abroad in search of your wants. If they be real wants they will come home in search of you; for he that buys what he does not want will soon want what he cannot buy.—Colton."

## HELP EACH OTHER.

**A Matrimonial Aid Society Among London Factory Girls.**

In many London artificial flower and ostrich feather manufactories and bonnet workrooms what are known as "wedding clubs" are quite an institution.

The girls become members immediately their apprenticeship expires. The subscriptions, varying from two pence to one shilling weekly, according to wages, go to purchase a trousseau for the girl first marrying; subsequent subscriptions are for the next bride.

To be eligible an intending bride must have subscribed 12 months, and continue subscribing for six months after marriage. She must marry as soon after becoming engaged as possible, and choose her bridesmaids among her fellow-workers. In large factories a club will frequently number 40 or 50 members, and the subscriptions, of two years perhaps, are a good "send off."

A feather "curler" in a big ostrich feather manufactory employing numerous work-girls, on marrying, some time ago, received £34. She did the thing grandly, for work-girls, especially in the feather trade, want the best, when procurable.

Her dress was white satin; orange blossoms and ostrich feathers were in profusion. Her bouquet cost 25 shillings, the cake £2, and she and her bridegroom, a Borough market porter, drove to church in a brougham and a pair, bridesmaids and relatives following in cabs and carts.

## TRAINED CHAMELEONS.

**What a Little Girl Accomplished with Two of These Reptiles.**

Much has been written about the beauty, the stupidity and the viciousness of the lizard tribe, and I want to say a word about the intelligence of the chameleon, a little reptile belonging to the great lizard family and in size the antipode of the alligator, its big brother, says a correspondent of the Washington Star.

The incident I now relate came under my personal observation, and demonstrates that the chameleon is susceptible of education and can be ranked with animals classed much higher in the scale of intellectual development.

Miss Henrietta Keene, a little lady of 12 years, living in Philadelphia, was presented with two Florida chameleons, and she at once began instructing and educating her pets. By continued gentleness and kindness she went to their residence, and at her call they would raise their heads, listen and then come running quickly. So on they responded to their names—Brinton and Baby—and nodded their little heads knowingly.

She then taught them to stand up on their hind legs and put their little fore paws together and stand in the attitude of prayer, looking solemn and closing their eyes; at a signal they would quickly prostrate themselves, roll over on their backs and pretend to be dead, lying without motion, until told to rise and embrace, which they would do with every sign of joy and pleasure.

## A BENEFICENT FAMINE.

**Improvements to Result from the Distress in India.**

The famine in North India which is assuming more and more serious proportions, while it will occasion much suffering, is likely also to result in good. For a long time the government has been projecting a series of railways in the northwest provinces, Oudh and the Punjab, but has been held back by the lack of funds. The need was not so pressing as to justify the expense. Now, however, that something must be done to furnish relief to the starving, the viceroy announces that instead of charity the government will give employment and push these works. The result will be not merely a wiser and more effective relief for the immediate want but a provision against such disasters in the future, says the New York Independent.

The most prominent cause of famine in Asia is the absence of means of communication, making it impossible to supply the deficiency of one region from the surplus in another. Much good has been done by the railroads already built and these new ones will be a public boon even overbalancing the present distress.


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The fine farm known as the Sinclair place near Bloomingburgh, in Orange county, on the Newburgh turnpike. The farm contains about 225 acres, 70 acres of which are planted with 11,000 peach trees just coming in full bearing, and nearly $2,000 netted from the crop last year. The farm is in good state of cultivation and will keep fifty cows. Good outbuildings and house contains thirteen rooms. A complete stock of farm implements in good condition will be sold with the farm. This farm has fine water, is well situated, fine view on the Shawangunk Mountains and location an exceptionally healthy one. Will be sold at a bargain.

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Household Goods, Wearing Apparel and Other Articles Too Numerous to Mention at Auction.

On Tuesday, January 5th, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at No. 20 Bentie avenue, I will sell at public auction, all the furniture, wearing apparel and other effects of the late Hiram Selleck, deceased.

The articles to be sold are good and in good order and some of them nearly new.

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## TIME TABLES.

### MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

#### Erie Railway.

Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning Nov. 1, 1896, and continuing until further notice, as follows:

Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos. 601, 625, 606, 617 and 620 run Sundays only. All other trains daily except Sunday. †Train No. 6 will stop only for passengers for Binghamton or west thereof—due notification must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following letters annexed indicate connection, viz.: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greycourt; "T" with Newburg Short-cut Branch via Turners; "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

(F) Train No. 1 stops on signal for passengers west of Binghamton.

GOING EAST.

| Nos | | James St. Sta. | Main St. Sta |
|---|---|---|---|
| * 12 | Chicago Ex. T | 4.30 a.m. | |
| * 10 | New York Specials | 6.01 " | |
| 96 | Middletown Way | 6.30 " | ....6.32 a.m |
| 16 | Orange Co. Ex., G. M. | 7.10 " | ....7.12 " |
| 98 | Mountain Ex., T | 8.23 " | .... 8.25 " |
| 88 | Del. Val. Ex. (M. F. G.) | 10.48 " | |
| * 6 | W. Mail, (G. except Su) | 12.55 p.m. | ....1.00 p.m |
| 30 | Way, T. M. P. G | 4.11 " | ....4.13 |
| * 2 | C. & G. T. Ex. | 5.07 " | |
| * 8 | C. & St. L. Limited | 6.12 " | |
| 22 | P. J. Local T. | 7.27 " | |
| * 14 | Wells Fargo Express | 10 40 " | |
| *606 | P. J. Local (Sun only) M. P. and G. T. | 8.23 a.m. | |
| 620 | P. J. Local (Su only) | 5.19 p.m. | |
| 18 | Milk (Sunday only) | 7.00 p.m. | |

GOING WEST

| Nos | | James St. Sta. | Main St. Sta |
|---|---|---|---|
| * 17 | Milk | 7.00 a.m. | |
| * 21 | Port Jervis Way | 10.36 " | ....10.32 a.m |
| | 1 Day Express | †10.56 " | |
| | 9 Del. Val. Express | 11.25 " | |
| | 11 Port Jervis Local | 1.04 p.m. | .... 1.01 p.m |
| | 33 Port Jervis Exp. | 3 40 " | .... 3.37 " |
| †* | 5 C. & St. L. Exp. | 4.07 " | |
| | 24 Mountain Exp. | 5.42 " | .... 5.38 " |
| | 15 Orange Co. Exp. | 6 50 " | .... 6.45 " |
| | 25 Middletown Way ar. | 8.05 " | .... 8.03 " |
| * | 7 C. & G. T. Exp. | 9.34 " | |
| | 29 Way | 9.13 " | |
| * | 3 Chicago Exp. | 11.12 " | |
| 601 | Sunday Local | 10 38 a.m. | |
| 625 | P. J. Way (Sun only) | 3.08 p.m. | |
| 617 | " " " | 10 29 " | |

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at *4.00, 7.45, 9.15, 10.30 a. m.; 1 00, 3 30, 4.30, 5.30, 6.30, *7.30, *8.45 p. m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, 9 00 a. m. 12.30 and 7.30 p. m.

#### Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH

| No | Leave for | James St. Sta. | Main St. Sta |
|---|---|---|---|
| *101 | Pine Bush Mail | 11 30 a.m. | 11.35 a.m |
| *115 | " " | | 6.55 p.m |
| Sundays only | | 11.05 a.m. | 11.10 a.m |

COMING SOUTH

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *128 | Arrive from Pine Bush | 8.16 a.m |
| *150 | " " " | 5.50 p.m |

#### N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Sept. 21, 1896.

| P.M. | P.M. | P.M. | STATIONS. | A.M. | A.M. | P.M |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12.12 | 5 10 | 7.45 | (ar) Middletown (lv) | 6 30 | 7.12 | 4.46 |
| 12.00 | 4 57 | 7 34 | State Hill | 6 42 | 7.27 | 4.57 |
| 11.55 | 4 36 | 7.29 | Johnson | 6 48 | 7.35 | 5.03 |
| 11.42 | 4.25 | 7 24 | Westtown | 6 53 | 7 43 | 5.09 |
| 11.44 | 4.15 | 7 15 | Unionville | 6 59 | 7 55 | 5.16 |
| 11.55 | 3.52 | 7.03 | Deckertown | 7. 4 | 8 20 | 5.33 |
| 11 20 | 3 36 | 6 55 | Hamburg | 7.22 | 8.46 | 5 42 |
| 11.12 | 3 26 | 6 47 | Franklin | 7 29 | 8.56 | 5 49 |
| 11.07 | 3 16 | 6 42 | Ogdensburgh | 7 34 | 9 06 | 5 54 |
| 9 29 | .... | 5 04 | Paterson | 9 03 | 10 36 | 7.36 |
| 8 30 | .. | 4.10 | New York | 9 53 | 11.23 | 8.23 |
| A.M | | P.M | | A.M | P.M | P.M |

## Collector's Notice.

## State and County Tax.

The warrant for the collection of the State and County Tax for the city of Middletown, N. Y., for the year 1896 having been delivered to me by the Board of Supervisors, I will attend on each working day of the week (Saturday afternoons and holidays excepted), from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the Corporation Rooms, Center street, in said city, for 20 days, beginning Monday, Dec. 21st 1896, and ending Monday, Jan 25th, 1897, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes. No fee will be charged during said 20 days.

E. M. HAMILTON, Collector.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 18 1896.

Dec 18,19,21,22,23,24,25, 28 29 30,31 Jan 4,5 6 7,8 9 11,8,15, 19,21,22,23


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"What kind of weather had we better predict?" inquired the clerk at the weather bureau.

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"But we've have been saying that for the last three or four days, and every time we predicted 'much colder' the weather has seemed to get much warmer."

"My boy, never forget that to this business as well as to any other the old motto applies: 'Keeping everlastingly at it brings success.'" — Washington Star.

#### Feminine Economy.

Jinks—My wife has peculiar ideas about economy; for instance, she has just made over a cast-off dress at a cost of $2.42, in order to have it match a hat she saw downtown.

Binks—H'm—got the hat yet?

Jinks—No; but we're saving up for that purpose; it's marked $23.99!—Up-to-Date.

#### Would Try Again.

Hatter—I have tried the largest-sized hat in the store on you, and it is too small. I can order one for you and have it come in about four days.

Cumso (who had been out with the boys the night before)—Never mind going to the trouble. I'll call in to-morrow and try this one on again.—Norristown Herald.

#### A Little Thing in Millinery.

"I don't see how Mrs. McGay can afford to wear so many tips on her hat There is a row of them all the way round the brim."

"Afford it? I wonder that she hasn't the whole hat made of tips. Her husband is a hotel-waiter, you know."—Demorest's Magazine.

#### Just What He Needed.

Miss Manyseason—No, Mr. Bloom, I cannot be your wife, but I will be a sister to you.

Mr. Bloom (youthful adorer)—You are very kind, and I know my mother will like that arrangement. She has often said I would have been a better man if I had had an elder sister to look after me.—N. Y. Weekly.

#### One on Mr. Smart Aleck.

Professor (describing an ancient Greek theater)—And it had no roof.

Junior (feeling sure that he had caught the professor in a mistake)—What did they do, sir, when it rained?

Professor (taking off his glasses and pausing angrily)—They got wet, sir.—Tit-Bits.

#### Supply Equal to the Demand.

"If you want a lawyer get Muxley. He's as honest a man as breathes, and—"

"I'm afraid I can't win the case with Muxley. The other side has employed Hawksley, and I've got to get a bigger rascal than he is or get beat."—Chicago Tribune.

#### To Fresh Pastures.

Landlady—Mr. Brown and his wife are going to leave.

Friend—They've been with you only a month. Are they dissatisfied?

Landlady—I think not. I fancy Mrs Brown has found out everything about everybody in the house, and there is no further attraction!—Up-to-Date.

#### He Agreed with Her.

Young Wife — Yes, father always gives away expensive things when he makes presents.

Husband—So I discovered when he gave you away. (And then he went to the library to draw a check for the milliner's bill).—Tit-Bits.

#### Regret.

Man cometh often to a time
Whose woe he scarce can speak,
When bitterly he mourns that dime
He wasted just last week
—Detroit Free Press

#### THE MILLENNIUM IS COMING.

Weary Raggles—Say, pard, me and you was born before our time.

Wandering Willie—How do you figger that?

Weary Raggles—I've been readin' de papers for awhile back, an' I see de experts agree dat by de next century de wimmin will be doin' all de work in de world.—N. Y. World.

#### Lays That Please.

In other days the poet's lays
Were objects of the highest praise.
To-day, you know, the lays that please
Are those that grow in henneries
—Chicago Record

#### That Was Why.

Poet—Is the editor in?

Office Boy—Yes, he didn't see you coming in time to get out. — Town Topics.

#### His Onliest Only.

"Last night I took a long stroll with the one I love best in all the world."

"I should think you would get tired of walking by yourself."—N. Y. Tribune.

#### Anything to Please Him.

"Oh, Bob, what shall we do? Baby is crying for my new fur boa."

"That's all right. Give him the cat."—Chicago Record.

#### Fixed.

Goshing—Why do you call her of a certain age?

Barker—Because she never changes it.—N. Y. Truth.

#### Simple Sarcasm.

Ella—I am a daughter of the revolution.

Stella—You look it.—N. Y. Journal.


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#### LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

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15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North St and Wisner Ave., type shop
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street
29—W. Main street, corner Montgomery avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital
31—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets
36—Canal street, condensery
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
51—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Ring before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.

1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

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#### Would Not Do Without Dr. Hand's Colic Cure.

MEMPHIS, N. Y., Nov. 11, '95.—The Hand Medicine Co.—"Our baby, now nearly four months old, has been troubled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At first we tried the usual remedies, but until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure found nothing that would give relief. Now we would not think of being without your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's Remedies for Children, 25 cents. At all druggists.

#### A Great Medicine Given Away.

J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, is now giving free to all a trial package of the great herbal remedy, Bacon's Celery King. If ladies suffering from nervous disorders and constipation will use this remedy they will soon be free from the headaches and backaches that have caused them so much suffering. It is a perfect regulator. It quickly cures biliousness, indigestion, eruptions of the skin and all blood diseases. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

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NEW YORK ONTARIO AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

| STATIONS. | 11 * | 1 On't Day Exp | | | 7 Sullivan Co. Exp | 5 * Chicago Limit | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Miles | A M | A M | M | P M | P M | P M |
| N. Y. Leave | | | | | | | |
| Franklin St | 3 | 2 | 7 40 | .... | 3 00 | 4 15 | .... |
| W. 42d St., | 3 | 3 | 7 55 | .... | 3 15 | 4 30 | .... |
| Weehawken | 1 | 0 | 8 10 | .... | 3 30 | 4 45 | .... |
| Cornwall | 6 | 10 | 9 45 | .... | 5 00 | 6 01 | .... |
| W Cornwall | 0 | 2 | 9 52 | .... | 5 08 | .... | .... |
| Orr's Mills | 0 | 2 | 9 55 | .... | 5 10 | .... | .... |
| Little Brit'n | 0 | 10 | 10 5 | .... | 5 23 | .... | .... |
| Burtside | 6 | 56 | 10 16 | .... | 5 34 | .... | .... |
| Campbell H | 7 | 07 | 10 22 | .... | 5 40 | 6 30 | .... |
| Stony Ford | 7 | 15 | 10 27 | .... | 5 44 | .... | .... |
| M'town Main St. | 7 | 28 | 10 43 | .... | 5 58 | .... | .... |
| M'town { ar | 7 | 40 | 10 45 | .... | 6 00 | 6 46 | .... |
| M'town { lv | 8 | 45 | *10 55 | .... | *6 10 | *6 56 | .... |
| Winterton | 9 | 10 | 11 09 | .... | 6 25 | .... | .... |
| Bloom'gb'gh | 9 | 21 | 11 15 | .... | 6 30 | .... | .... |
| Wurtsboro | 9 | 28 | 11 19 | .... | 6 34 | .... | .... |
| Summitville | 9 | 38 | 11 20 | .... | 6 45 | .... | .... |
| Ellenville ar | 10 | 05 | 11 50 | .... | 7 05 | .... | .... |
| Fallsburgh | 10 | 32 | 12 05 | .... | 7 20 | .... | .... |
| Hurleyville | 10 | 52 | 12 12 | .... | 7 27 | .... | .... |
| Liberty Falls | 11 | 15 | 01 22 | .... | 7 38 | .... | .... |
| Liberty | 11 | 30 | 12 29 | .... | 7 44 | 8 07 | .... |
| Parksville | 11 | 45 | 12 40 | .... | 7 55 | .... | .... |
| Lv'gst'n M'r | 12 | 00 | 13 55 | .... | 8 05 | 8 30 | .... |
| Rockland | 12 | 15 | 1 08 | .... | 8 20 | .... | 13 |
| Hancock Jct | 1 | 20 | 2 01 | .... | 9 27 | 9 19 | M |
| Walton | 2 | 15 | 2 45 | .... | 10 15 | 9 53 | 8 05 |
| Sidey { ar | .... | 3 | 41 | 41 | 10 | 10 25 | 9 02 |
| Sidney { lv | .... | 3 | 41 | .... | 10 | 10 35 | 9 02 |
| N'rwich { ar | .... | 4 | 33 | A M | 11 | 11 30 | 9 57 |
| N'rwich { lv | .... | 4 | 33 | 7 30 | P M | 11 33 | 10 02 |
| Oneid'Cast'l | .... | 6 | 06 | 9 10 | .... | 01 | 25 A M |
| Oneida { ar | .... | 6 | 10 | 9 15 | .... | 12 | 40 .... |
| Oneida { lv | .... | 6 | 15 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Fulton | .... | 7 | 57 | .... | .... | n2 | 00 .... |
| Oswego ar | .... | 8 | 30 | .... | .... | 2 | 20 .... |
| | | P M | P M | A M | | A M | |

SOUTH BOUND.

| STATIONS. | 6 * New York Exp | 12 * | 14 Delhi Ex | 20 Local | 2 Day Exp | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | P M | P M | .... | P M | A M | |
| Oswego lv | 12 35 | .... | .... | .... | 6 45 | .... |
| Oneida { ar | .... | .... | .... | .... | 8 46 | .... |
| Oneida { lv | 2 11 | .... | .... | 12 20 | 8 56 | .... |
| Oneid'Cast'l | .... | .... | P M | 12 25 | 8 53 | .... |
| Norwich { ar | 3 24 | .... | 7 36 | 5 30 | 10 37 | .... |
| Norwich { lv | 3 29 | .... | 7 41 | P M | 10 42 | .... |
| Sidney | 4 20 | .... | 8 45 | .... | 11 41 | .... |
| Sidny Cent'r | .... | .... | 9 08 | .... | 11 57 | .... |
| Walton | 5 05 | 12 15 | 9 38 | .... | 1297 | .... |
| Hancock Jct | 5 38 | 1 30 | S | .... | 1 23 | .... |
| Rockland | .... | 2 38 | 8 01 | .... | 2 10 | .... |
| Lv'gst'n M'r | 6 27 | 3 00 | 6 11 | .... | 2 25 | .... |
| Parksville | .... | 3 16 | 6 25 | .... | 2 37 | .... |
| Liberty | 6 48 | 3 35 | 6 36 | .... | 2 54 | .... |
| Liberty Falls | .... | 3 41 | 6 41 | .... | n2 56 | .... |
| Hurleyville | .... | 4 04 | 6 50 | .... | 3 06 | .... |
| Fallsburgh | n7 06 | 4 19 | 6 57 | .... | 3 11 | .... |
| Centreville | .... | 4 50 | 7 04 | .... | n3 20 | .... |
| Mount'n D. | .... | 4 50 | 7 10 | .... | n3 25 | .... |
| Summitville | .... | 5 15 | 7 25 | .... | 3 45 | .... |
| Wurtsboro | .... | 5 25 | 7 33 | .... | 3 52 | .... |
| Bloom'gb'gh | .... | 5 2 | 7 38 | .... | 3 57 | .... |
| Winterton | .... | 5 40 | 7 48 | .... | n4 02 | .... |
| M'town { ar | 8 00 | 6 05 | 8 00 | .... | 4 20 | .... |
| M'town { lv | 8 10 | 6 25 | *8 10 | .... | *4 30 | .... |
| M'town Main St. | .... | 6 27 | 8 12 | .... | 4 32 | .... |
| Stony Ford | .... | 7 02 | 8 47 | .... | 4 46 | .... |
| Campbell H. | .... | 7 07 | 8 51 | .... | 4 52 | .... |
| Burnside | .... | 7 25 | 9 06 | .... | 5 07 | .... |
| Little Brit'n | .... | 7 35 | 9 18 | .... | 5 08 | .... |
| Orr's Mills | .... | 7 38 | 9 20 | .... | 5 19 | .... |
| W Cornwall | .... | 8 20 | 9 55 | .... | 5 21 | .... |
| Cornwall | 8 52 | 8 31 | 9 07 | .... | 5 35 | .... |
| Weehawken | 10 | 0 11 | 00 10 | 30 | 7 00 | .... |
| N. Y. (New York) W. 42d St., | 10 | 3 11 | 15 10 | 40 | 7 10 | .... |
| N. Y. Frkln St { ar | 10 | 45 11 | 30 10 | 55 | 7 25 | .... |
| | P M | P M | A M | M | P M | |

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

* Stop for meals

Trains leave Hancock Junction 2 05 p m., for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., for Hancock Junction.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30, a m., 3 50 and 6 15 p m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 and 10 56 a m, 3 05 and 5 05 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 20 and 11 00 a m, *2 40 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 00 a m, *2 45 and 5 50 p m Sunday only 9 15 a m

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10 00 a m, *1 45 and 8 40 p m Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and 10 02 a m, and 2 0 p m

For further particulars see local card

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NORTH.

| | Daily a m | Daily ex Sun p m | Sun p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 8 50 | ..... | 4 16 |
| Jersey City | 8 46 | ..... | 4 25 |
| Hackensack | 9 14 | ..... | 4 50 |
| Paterson (Broadway) | 9 26 | ..... | 5 02 |
| Paterson | 9 29 | ..... | 5 05 |
| Two Bridges | 10 53 | 3 00 | 6 32 |
| Ogdensburg | 11 07 | 3 16 | 6 42 |
| Franklin | 11 12 | 3 26 | 6 47 |
| Hamburg | 11 20 | 3 36 | 6 55 |
| Deckertown | 11 38 | 3 52 | 7 03 |
| Quarryville | 11 36 | 4 04 | 7 10 |
| Unionville | 11 44 | 4 15 | 7 18 |
| Westtown | 11 19 | 4 25 | 7 24 |
| Johnson | 11 55 | 4 38 | 7 29 |
| State Hill | 12 00 | 4 57 | 7 34 |
| Middletown | 12 12 | 5 10 | 7 45 |

SOUTH.

| | Daily ex Sun a m | Sun a m | Daily p m |
|---|---|---|---|
| Middletown | 6 30 | 7 12 | 4 45 |
| State Hill | 6 42 | 7 27 | 4 57 |
| Johnson | 6 48 | 7 35 | 5 03 |
| Westtown | 6 53 | 7 43 | 5 09 |
| Unionville | 6 59 | 7 55 | 5 16 |
| Quarryville | 7 06 | 8 07 | 5 23 |
| Deckertown | 7 14 | 8 30 | 5 33 |
| Hamburg | 7 22 | 8 46 | 5 42 |
| Franklin Junction | 7 27 | 8 53 | |
| Franklin | 7 29 | 8 56 | 5 49 |
| Ogdensburg | 7 34 | 9 06 | 5 54 |
| Two Bridges | 7 51 | 9 32 | 6 10 |
| Paterson | 9 03 | | 7 30 |
| Paterson (Broadway) | 9 05 | 10 36 | 7 33 |
| Hackensack | 9 16 | 10 47 | 7 46 |
| Jersey City | 9 38 | 11 12 | 8 13 |
| New York | 9 58 | 11 23 | 8 23 |

f Stop on signal.

LADIES DO YOU KNOW DR. FELIX LE BRUN'S Steel & Pennyroyal Pills are the original and only FRENCH, safe and reliable cure on the market. Price, $1.00; sent by mail. Genuine sold only by



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TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 1, 1896.

| Eastern Time. | 12 | 10 | 26 | 16 | 28 | 38 | 5 | 27 | 15 | 25 | 17 | 21 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 33

## A VERY SUDDEN DEATH.

**Mrs. A. C. Ogden Stricken With Heart Disease When She Arose in the Morning and Died in a Few Minutes.**

Mrs. Aceneath Greer, widow of the late John S. Ogden, died very suddenly about 7 o'clock, yesterday morning, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Angus Terwilliger, corner of West Main and James streets.

Mrs. Terwilliger heard a sound as of a fall from her mother's room and hastening there found her lying on the floor unconscious. She was placed in bed and Dr. Struble was summoned and responded very promptly, but too late to be of any service, as Mrs. Ogden breathed her last as he entered the room. He had been treating her for the grip for the past two weeks and knew she had heart trouble and says the cause of death was heart disease.

It was evident that she had just arisen from her bed and was stricken down before she left the bedside.

Mrs. Ogden was a daughter of James and Mary Greer and was born at Maple Dale in the town of Wallkill, August 10, 1818, and was therefore in her seventy-ninth year.

She married Nov. 10, 1839, and raised a family of ten children—seven sons and three daughters, only three of whom survive her. These are Margaret, wife of Angus Terwilliger; John W. and Sylvanus G., all of this city. She is also survived by two brothers, Sylvanus Greer, of this city, and Alpheus Greer, of Howells, and one sister, Mrs. Susan Kirk, of Warwick.

The husband of deceased also died very suddenly on Nov. 24th, 1884, from injuries received by being thrown by a horse at the North street crossing.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

## BANK DIVIDENDS.

**The First National Bank of This City Carries Its Net Earnings to Undivided Profits Account—Dividend Declared by Other Banks.**

—The Highland National Bank of Newburgh passed the January dividend.

—The First National Bank, of Port Jervis, has declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent.

—The Sussex National Bank, of Newton, has declared its 156th semi-annual dividend. It is at the rate of five per cent, payable on and after Jan. 2.

—The National Bank of Newburgh has declared a semi-annual dividend of four per cent. free of tax, payable on demand.

—The Quassaic National Bank, of Newburgh, has declared a semi-annual dividend of three-and-a-half per cent. free of tax.

—The Columbia Trust Company, of Newburgh, has declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent. free of tax.

—The directors of the First National Bank met, this morning, and in accordance with the policy adopted something like three years ago voted to carry the net earnings of the past six months to the undivided profits account.

—The Merchants and Manufacturers' National Bank, of this city, declared, Saturday, a semi-annual dividend of two per cent.

## THE YEAR IN THE RAILROAD WORLD

**The New Equipment Built and the New Track Laid.**

The statistics of new equipment built in this country in 1896, as gathered by the *Railroad Gazette*, show that the United States built last year 1,175 locomotives, 74 more than in 1895. There were 309 engines built for export to foreign countries, going chiefly to South America. The statistics of car building by 41 companies show a total of 51,189 freight cars built in 1896 and 474 passenger cars. The increase in freight car output over that of 1895 is 34 per cent. The number of passenger cars built was slightly greater than in 1895. According to the *Gazette* the total track laid in the United States in 1896 was 1,682 miles. In 1895, 1,428 miles were built.

**Boiled the Kerosene and Unpleasant Consequences Resulted.**

From the Newburgh Telegram

It was all the fault of her neighbors that a Washington street woman spent the more part of the week in bed with painful burns. They told her that kerosene would burn better if it was boiled before using, and she was fool enough to try the recipe—to her sorrow. The jokers who suggested the thing should have been arrested

**A City of Refuge for Newburgh's Unfortunates.**

From the Newburgh Telegram

Middletown has grown to be the Mecca for Newburgh's fallen young women. At the present time six unfortunate girls of this city, are making their headquarters in that place. The city isn't being elevated in morals by their presence, either, but they appear to be prosperous and not at all anxious to return.

**The Profits of "The Mikado."**

The net receipts of "The Mikado," recently given by Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, are $159.90. The sum will be set aside as a fund for the purchase of a team of horses for the truck.

Women who object to consult for painful irregularities, cramps and headaches peculiar to the sex, relieved at once without danger by Apioline-Chapoteaut. Send $1. P. O. Box 2,081, New York.
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DeWitt's Little Early Risers.
The famous little pills

## TRADES CARNIVAL IN PORT JERVIS

**Given Under the Direction of Miss Lila A. Stewart—A Great Success in Every Respect.**

The Trades Carnival given in Port Jervis under the direction of Miss Lila A. Stewart, of this city, Friday and Saturday, was a most pronounced success. Afternoon and evening performances were given each day and all were well attended, the opera house being packed to its fullest capacity in the evenings. The dances, (they called them drills since the carnival was given for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A.,) were all admirably executed and were a new proof, if proof were needed, of Miss Stewart's ability as an organizer and instructress.

General regret was expressed that the entertainment could not be continued two or three nights, this week, but this was made impossible by the fact that the opera house had been engaged by a theatrical company.

The financial results of the carnival were entirely satisfactory.

## "TOWN TALK IN M'FADDEN'S FLATS."

**An Entertainment That is Certain to Please All.**

We are to have that popular comedian, William Jerome and his excellent company of players at the Casino, next Friday evening, in his twentieth century idea of an entertainment entitled, "Town Talk in McFadden's Flats." It is entirely different from any attraction on the road this season, being a combination of high class vaudeville with sparkling farce comedy, thus giving a continuous performance from the rise of the curtain until the finish of the last act.

The company is composed of such artists as Maud Nugent, the Mahr sisters, Daly and Hilton, Barnes and Coakley, W. C. Davis, Master Tommy Meade, Charles Sedwick and others.

## THE STATIONARY ENGINEERS.

**The Recently Elected Officers Installed, Saturday Evening.**

The officers of Corliss Division, No. 49, N. A. S. E., were installed, Saturday evening, by Association Deputy President, C. C. Foss. The officers are as follows:

Pres.—C. F. Catillaz.
Vice Pres.—G. W. Cole.
Rec. Sec'y.—F. C. Warren.
Treas.—Galen Coleman.
Fin. Sec'y.—W. H. Dennis.
Cor. Sec'y.—G. H. Wepfer.
Conductor—Joseph Speckoff.
Doorkeeper—Martin Cuttler.
Educational Committee—G. W. Wepfer, Joseph Speckoff, R. B. Coleman.
Employment Committee—C. C. Foss, Galen Coleman, Richard Southwell.
Financial Committee—G. W. Cole, Wm. Garratt, E. W. Randall.
Examining Committee—F. Kerrigan, Geo. Soper, H. Gibbs.

**To Reclaim the Hackensack Meadows**

The Geological Survey of New Jersey has revived the subject of the reclamation of the Hackensack and Newark meadows. State Geologist Smock recently visited Holland to study the system of dyking and pumping and State Engineer Vermeule has prepared a large map showing where dykes should be built and canals cut. The meadows have an area of 27,000 acres and the cost of reclaiming them by dyking and pumping is estimated at only $6 or $7 an acre.

**Appointed Presiding Elder.**

Rev. Alexander Craig, of Newton, N. J., has been appointed by Bishop Andrews, of New York, to fill the remainder of the year as the successor of the late Dr. S. Van Benschoten as Presiding Elder of the Paterson District of Newark Conference.

**Made Ill by Grief.**

From the Warwick Advertiser.

Mrs Aaron Middlebrook, of Florida, has been made very ill by the sudden death of her son, as briefly told in this paper two week's ago, the young man dying from heart disease while out riding with companions one night. The sad occurrence threw her into convulsions. Many friends sympathize with her in this bereavement.

**Great Decrease in the Rainfall.**

John T. Probert, the weather observer at Paterson, calls attention to the great decrease in the rainfall in the last five years. The official figures are: From 1892 to 1896 inclusive, 227.87 inches fell; 1887 to 1891, 251.01; 1882 to 1886, 267.85; 1877 to 1881, 256.00; 1872 to 1876, 242.51; 1867 to 1871, 256.69.

**A Double Wedding.**

A double wedding was celebrated in Walton, New Year's eve. The parties were Amasa Russell and Jennie Black and James Russell and Jennie Riatt. The happy event took place at the home of Miss Riatt's parents.

**Flowers for Judge Hirschberg.**

Two large bouquets of carnations adorned the desk of Judge Hirschberg, who held his first special term in Newburgh, Saturday. One was the gift of Newburgh lawyers and the other of Sig. and Max Samuels, personal friends.

**More Curative Power**

Is contained in a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla than in any other similar preparation. It costs the proprietor and manufacturer more. It costs the jobber more and it is worth more to the customer. It has a record of cures unknown to any other preparation. It is the best to buy because it is the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. Gentle, reliable, sure.

## APPLES BETTER THAN MEDICINE

From the New York Medical Record.

A Brooklyn physician translates the following from a German writer: "The apple is such a common fruit that few persons are familiar with its remarkably efficacious medicinal properties. Everybody ought to know that the very best thing he can do is to eat apples just before going to bed. The apple is excellent brain food, because it has more phosphoric acid, in an easily digestible shape, than any other fruit known. It excites the action of the liver, promotes sound and healthy sleep, and thoroughly disinfects the mouth. It also agglutinates the surplus acids of the stomach, helps the kidney secretions, and prevents calculus growth, while it obviates indigestion and is one of the best preventives of diseases of the throat. Next to lemon and orange, it is also the best antidote for the thirst and craving of persons addicted to alcohol and opium habit."

**Funeral of Mrs. Dusenberry.**

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Dusenberry took place at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Green, on Hoffman St., at 2:30 o'clock, yesterday afternoon and was attended by a large number of friends. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. F. A. Heath, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The pall bearers were John M. Brink, Abram Pettit, James E. Miller and S. S. Purvis.

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DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S
FAVORITE REMEDY

take it morning, noon and night, and it will cure you. I took the medicine as directed, but had no confidence in a cure, as my case has been tried by so many. After using it a week I began to feel better, and in a short while after that I was entirely cured. That terrible distress, everything I ate, breaking up sour in my throat had all gone and I have not had a moment's discomfort since. To-day there isn't a healthier man and my appetite is grand."

**NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT**

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Jan. 4, '97.

| | Yesterday Close | To-day Close |
|---|---|---|
| Sugar | 111¼ | 110½ |
| Tobacco | 78½ | 78¼ |
| Chicago Gas | 74⅝ | 73⅝ |
| Nat. Lead | — | — |
| General Electric | 34 | 33 |
| U. S. L., pref. | 60½ | 60⅜ |
| Tenn. Coal and Iron | 26⅛ | 25¾ |
| A. T. & S. F. | 14½ | 14 |
| C. B. & Q. | 70¼ | 69⅞ |
| C. M. & St. P. | 73⅞ | 72⅝ |
| R. I. | 66⅝ | 66 |
| D. L. & W. | — | — |
| C. of N. J. | 100½ | 101 |
| Erie | — | 15 |
| D. and H. | 116⅞ | 118 |
| O. & W. | — | — |
| Susquehanna & Western | — | — |
| Susquehanna & West., pref. | — | — |
| P. & R. | 27⅜ | 26¾ |
| N. W. | 102⅝ | 102 |
| L. S. | 152 | — |
| N. Y. C. | — | — |
| M. P. | 20½ | 20 |
| Texas | — | — |
| U. P. | — | 9 |
| W. Union | 83¾ | 82¾ |
| L. & N. | 48⅛ | 47⅝ |
| Manhattan | 88¾ | 88⅛ |
| P. M. | — | — |
| Wabash, pref | 16 | 15⅝ |
| No. Pacific, pref | 32½ | 32¾ |
| W. L. | 6 | 6 |
| Southern R'y | — | — |
| Southern, pref. | — | 26 |
| May Wheat | 84⅝ | 84 |
| May Corn | 25¾ | 25⅝ |
| May Oats | 19¾ | 19½ |
| May Pork | $7 92 | $7 80 |
| May Lard | 4 00 | 3 97 |

**MARRIED.**

SCOTT—CHRISTIAN—At the First Presbyterian Manse, Jan. 1st, '97, by Rev. Thos. Gordon, D. D., Charles Scott and Carrie E. Christian, both of Burlingham.

GILLETT—SHEELEY—In this city, Dec. 16th, '96, by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson, D. D., Theron J. Gillett and Inda Sheeley, both of Woodbourne.

HERRICK—ODELL—In this city, Dec. 31st, '96, by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson, D. D., Fred C. Herrick and Virginia C. Odell, both of Middletown.

**BIRTHS.**

SINSABAUGH—In this city, Jan. 3d, '97, to Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Sinsabaugh, a son.

**DIED.**

McPEEK—At Warwick, Dec. 30th, '96, Sarah C. McPeek, aged fifty-eight years, nine months.

OGDEN—In this city, Jan. 3d, '97, Aceneatha Greer Ogden, widow of the late John S. Ogden, aged seventy-eight years, four months, twenty-three days.

Funeral Tuesday afternoon, from the residence of her son-in-law, Angus Terwilliger, corner West Main and Henry street, at two-thirty p. m. Interment in family plot, Riverside Cemetery.

Sussex county papers please copy.

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## PORT JERVIS B. AND L. ASSOCIATIONS.

**Annual Report of Two Prosperous and Well Managed Organizations.**

The annual reports of the Port Jervis Building and Loan Association, No. 1, and the Co-operative Loan and Savings Association, of Port Jervis, make a most satisfactory showing.

The former association has assets of $221,577.08; profits, $51,437.90; receipts for the year, $46,920.21.

The Co-operative Association has assets of $126,117.59; profits, $24,046.09; receipts for the year, $33,762.14.

**A Poor Return for Kindness.**

An old man, who had been befriended by Isaac Edwards, proprietor of the Imperial Hotel, Port Jervis, who gave him food and lodging for such odd jobs as he could do about the house, rewarded the kindness shown him by making off, Thursday, with Mrs. Edwards' gold watch and two valuable rings.

**For over Fifty Years**

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. If disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. eod&w

ONE CENT A WORD
*for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.*

GIRL Wanted for general housework. 1t PURPS, 39 West Main street.

AUCTION Sale of household furniture at 35 Liberty street, Wednesday, Jan. 6th, at 2 p. m.; also wagon and sleigh
31d2t WM. VANSCHAICK, Auctioneer.

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontander 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience.
99d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF has left town and will return to Middletown the 18th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d&w3mMch17

PIPES, PIPES, PIPES.
I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city.
Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown.
42d&wlyMy20 N. D. MILLS, Prop.

"HARDING'S Handy Hanger," price 12 cents Keeps coat, vest and pants in good shape, all at the same time. A fine Christmas gift.
G. F. HARDING, Mfr., Wurtsboro, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Hotel, boarding houses, farms and private residences; also properties to rent. Enquire of ELMER PITTS.
18d6t&sw3mMch17 Bloomingburgh, N. Y.

MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, Wilcox Building, 57 North street.

CHAMBERS' Mandrake Liver Pills equal to Schenk's or any other liver pills only 20 cents. Try them. Sold only at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

CHAMBERS' White Pine Balsam is positively guaranteed to cure your cough. Large bottles 25 cents. Made and sold by JOHN J. CHAMBERS, Druggist and Pharmacist, Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

MAGIC TOOTGACHE DROPS, guaranteed to cure only 10c. Made and sold at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

YOU cannot walk on the points of nails with comfort under any circumstance. To have your fine shoes "SOLED" with the nailing process is summer madness. CRAIG, the shoemaker's new method dispenses with nailing.
22 WEST MAIN STREET.

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 83 Wisner avenue. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable.
54d1y Feb6 M. C. FREER.

PAPER Hanging at 12½c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI,
dtf Shop 5 Academy Ave.

GOOD Barn for rent. W. C. DOYLE,
97dtf 24 Benton avenue.

PAINTING, Paper Hanging, Decorating—CHAS. J. KIDD, JR., 70 Academy avenue, is prepared to do work in the above lines, in the best style and at reasonable rates. An experience of several years in New York City enables him to guarantee first class work. 71dtf

HEADQUARTERS for Weather Strips at No. 1 Railroad avenue. Put them on now and keep warm CHAS. Z. TAYLOR.

FARM FOR SALE—Eighty acres of choice land, ten miles east of Des Moines, Iowa, with good seven-room house and outbuildings, two good wells, a young orchard. Parties want to go west. For further information enquire of
95d2mJan19 W. W. PRESTON, Clarkson, Iowa.

BREAD Winner Cook Stove, size 8, first-class condition, and good baker; Skates and Fur Cups cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

WANTED—Agents—$20 a week sure to workers. New goods. New plans. It is a winner. Every family needs it. Sells at sight. HOUSEHOLD SPECIALTY CO., 43 E. 4th St., Cincinnati, Ohio. dWedtf

FIRST ANNUAL CONCERT AND CAKE WALK BY PROF. L. M. WHITE'S CO.,

Tuesday, Jan. 5, at Assembly Rooms.

Tickets 25 cents. Music by Prof. Roescher's Orchestra. Prize Cake on exhibition in Hommell's bakery window. 32d2t

BANKING HOUSE OF
HENRY CLEWS & CO.,
11, 13, 15, 17 Broad St., New York.
MEMBERS OF THE N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE
Orders for Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Cotton executed for investment or on margin. Interest allowed on deposit accounts. Act as Fiscal Agents for corporations. 97d6mMy21

200 TUBS
Fine Dairy BUTTER!
18c. A POUND.
SLOAT'S
Cash Store.

Big Bargains in Gloves.

75c Ladies' Kid Gloves, lined throughout extra warm, 75c
79c Gents' Kid Gloves, fur tops, lined and extra warm, 79c
10c Children's Woolen Mitts, all colors, 10c

JACOBY'S NEW YORK STORE,
63 North Street, Next to Postoffice, Middletown, N. Y.

A TRADE CHANCE!

Let's us begin the New Year with these special lots on sale Saturday, January 2d.

21c Cream Damask Table Linen, 56 inch.
24c for 56 inch Satin Damask
4⅞c Union Linen Plaid Toweling.
3¼c Twilled Cotton Toweling
3½c regular width Apron Checks.
15c gross for good Lead Pencils.
2c dozen better Lead Pencils.
3c cake for good Toilet Soap.

Worth repeating from previous adv.

Ladies' Ribbed Vests 12½c., Canton Flannel, value 6½c., at 5c.; Best Standard Muslin 6¾c., Men's $1 Underwear 75c

ECONOMY STORE
114 NORTH ST.

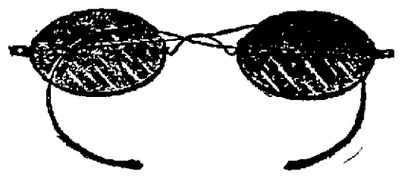
Every Lady
NEEDS
A WARM WRAPPER!

these cold days. Here is a chance to get a $1.50 Wrapper for 98 cents, made of flannelette, front and back yoke, trimmed with braid, separate fitting lining, new puff sleeves. Three yards skirt. Come and see us about Ladies', Misses' and Children's Wear, all kinds and prices. We sell a good many Jackets and Capes, which shows that prices and styles are right. Hair and Crepe Goods a specialty. Men's best quality Felt Boots and Perfection Overs $1.75 a pair at M. KATZINGER'S

NEW IDEA,
Corner North and West Main Sts.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificate of deposit for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent. per annum.
By order Board of Directors,
SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.



TIME
is the most valuable element of modern life. It pays to save it You can do so by coming to me to have your eyes examined free of charge before it is too late. My work and prices talk for themselves. Examinations free.

FRED MOULE,
Expert Eye Specialist. Optical parlors No. 6 East Main street, up stairs, Franklin Square, Middletown. Office Hours, 8 a. m. to 9 p. m

1897 -- TURN OVER A NEW LEAF AND BUY
NOTHING BUT THE BEST IN
Diamonds, Watches, Silverware, Clocks, Etc.,
of which we have a complete and up-to-date assortment. Now is the time to have your eyes tested and lenses properly put in the gold frames you got for Christmas by
FRANK D. KERNOCHAN, Eye Specialist,
Crystal Front Jewelry Store, No. 17 North St., Middletown.

"Woman's Work
is never done." The poet who wrote that line was sane on this one subject in any event. Woman's work is never done, and she should have every aid possible to lighten her labors. A dollar's worth of handy helpers in the kitchen will save many steps and much strength. We have the handy helpers here—you may have them for very little money.

MILLSPAUGH HARDWARE CO.,
Wholesale and Retail Hardware